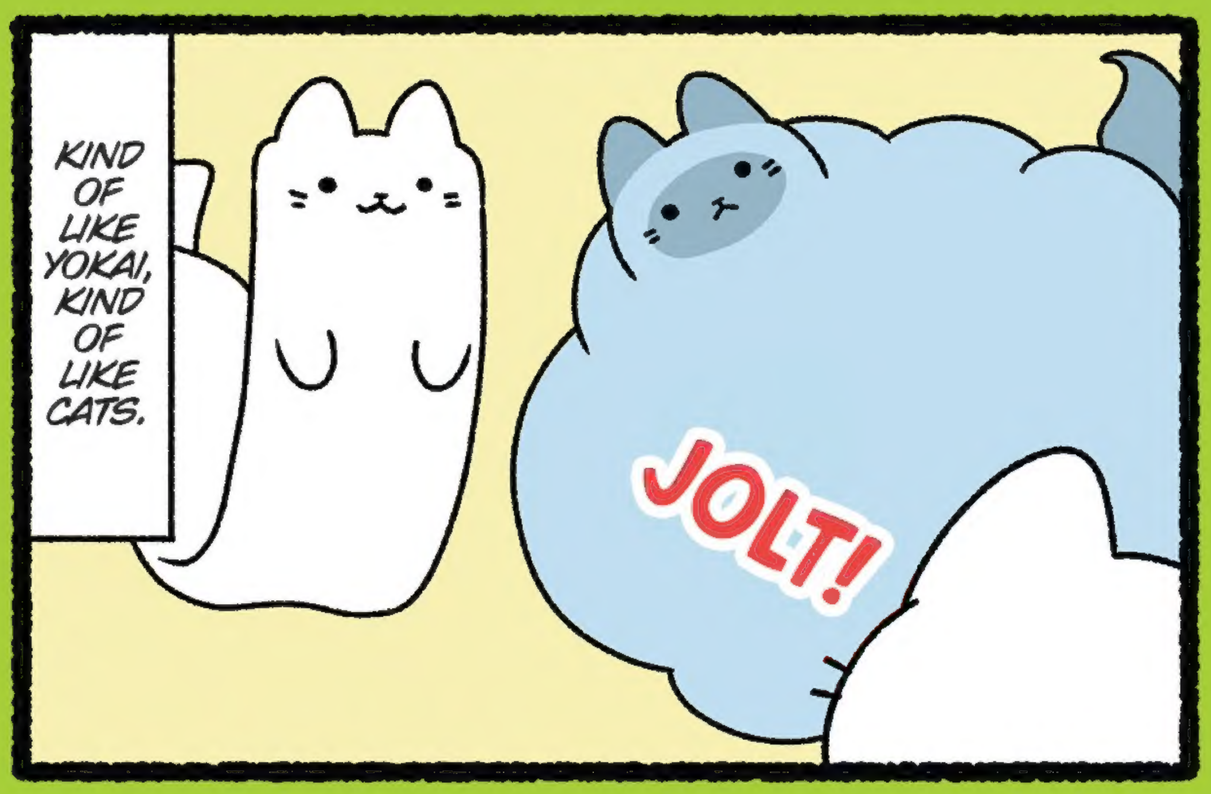
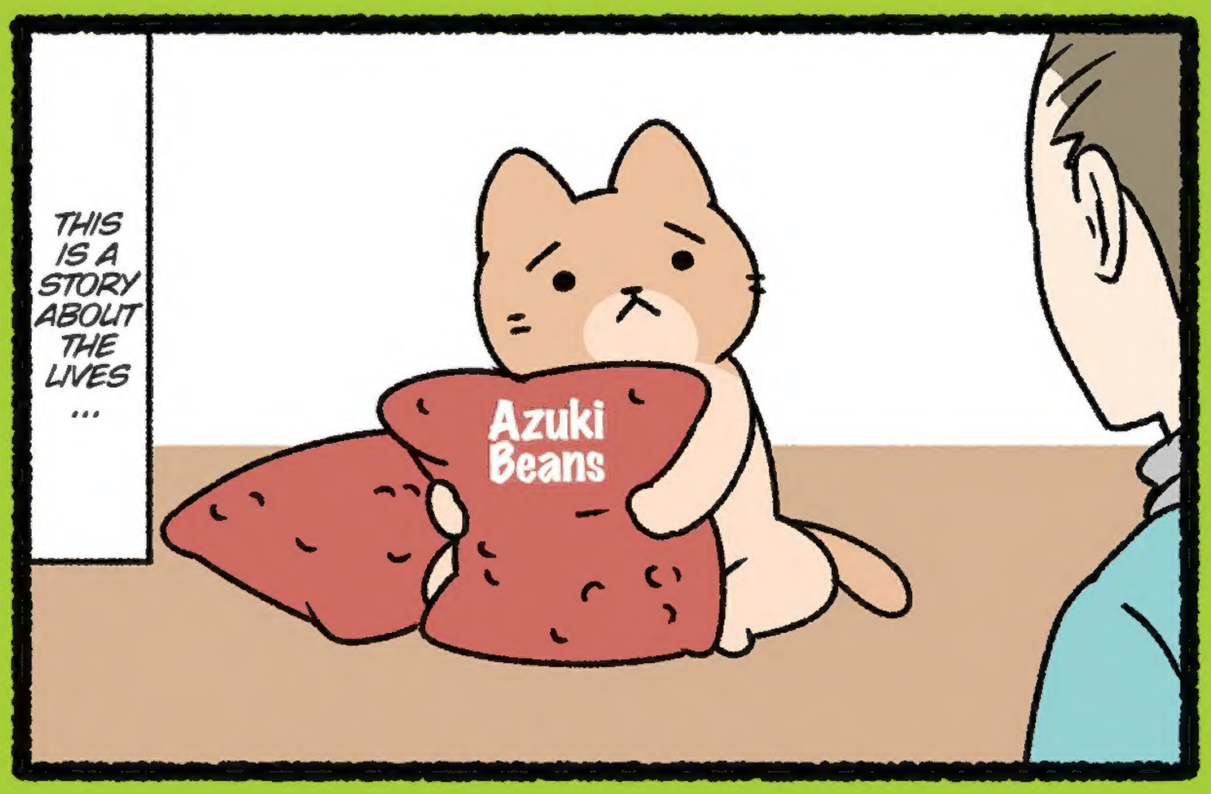
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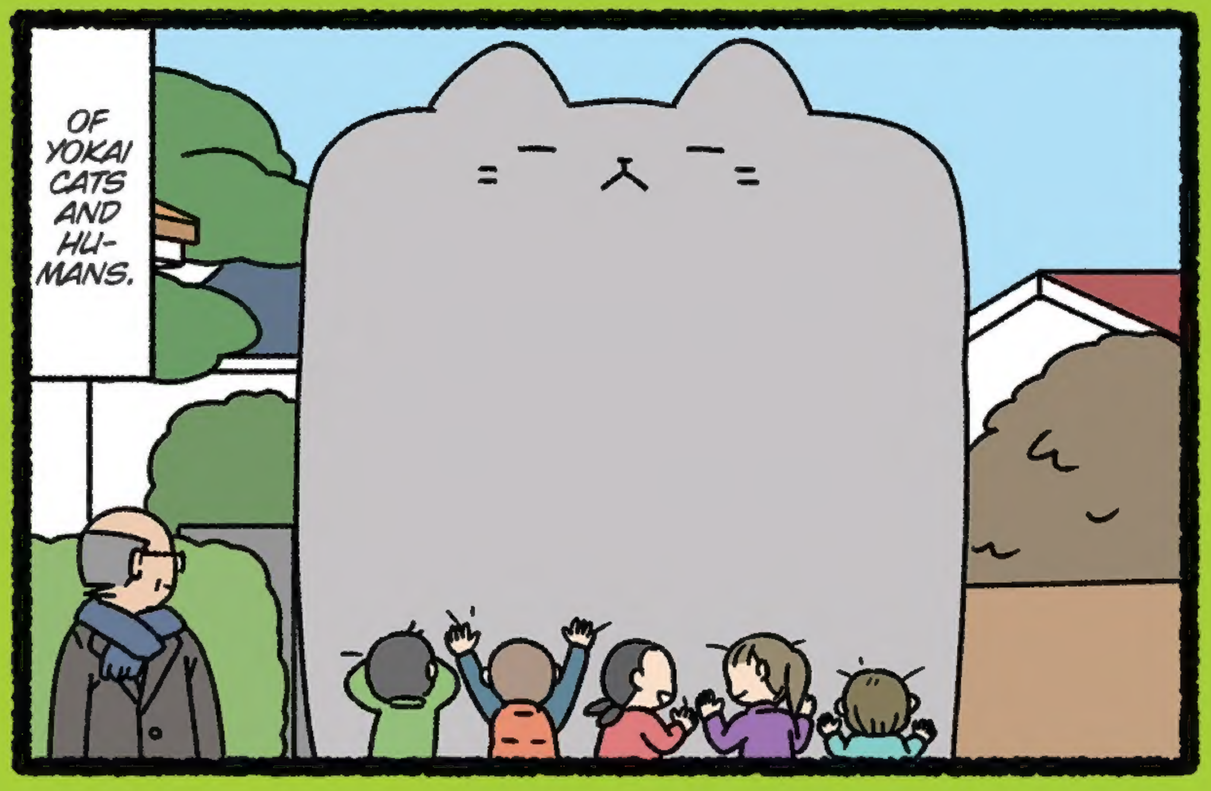
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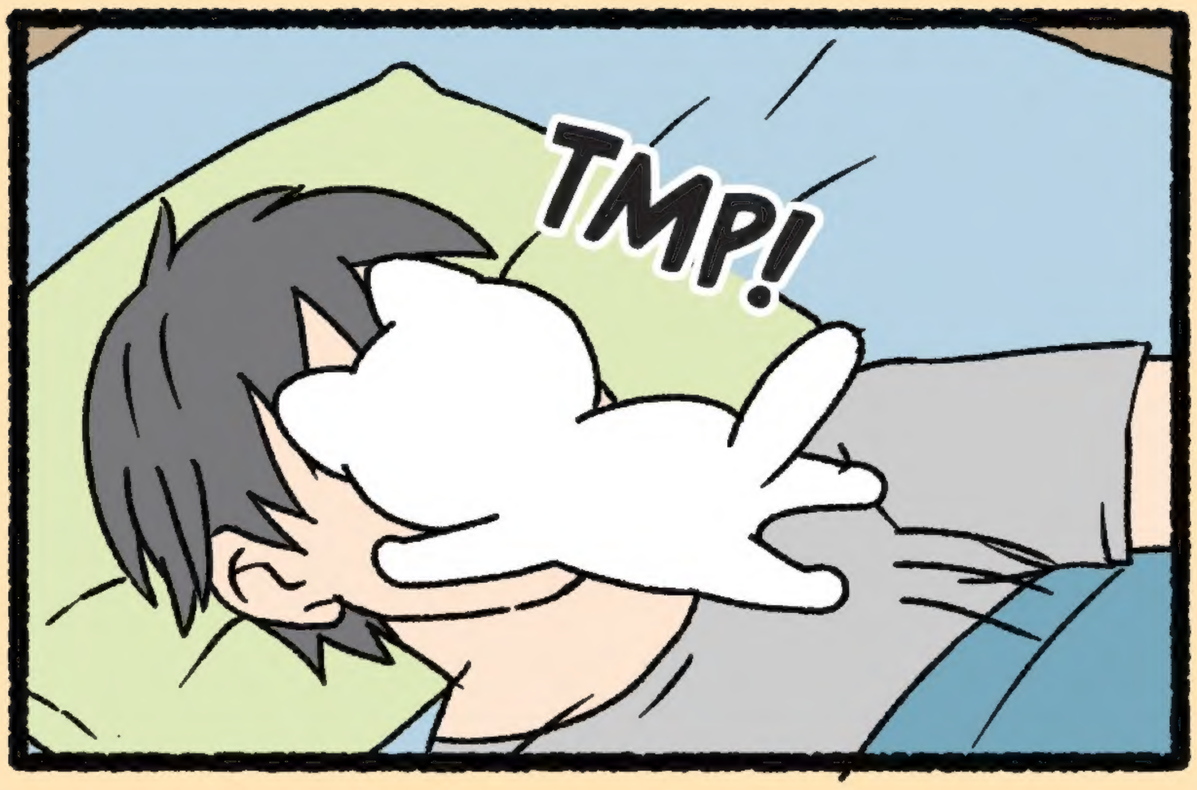
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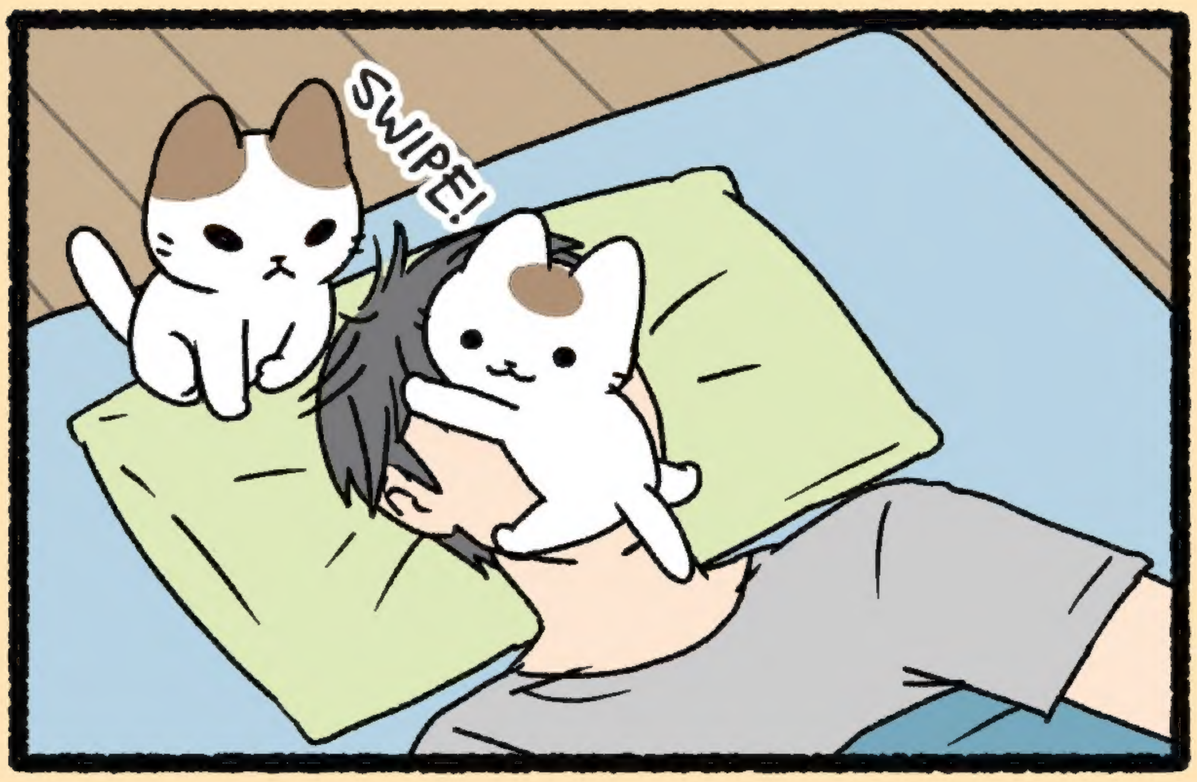
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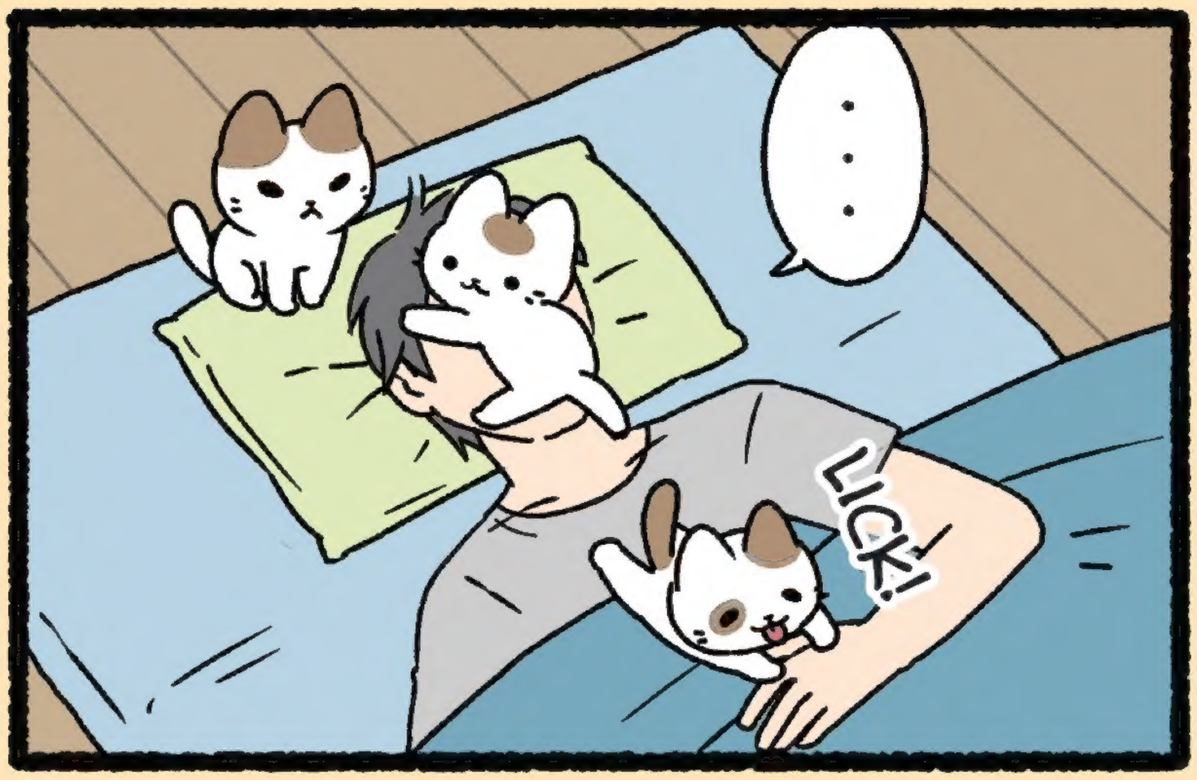


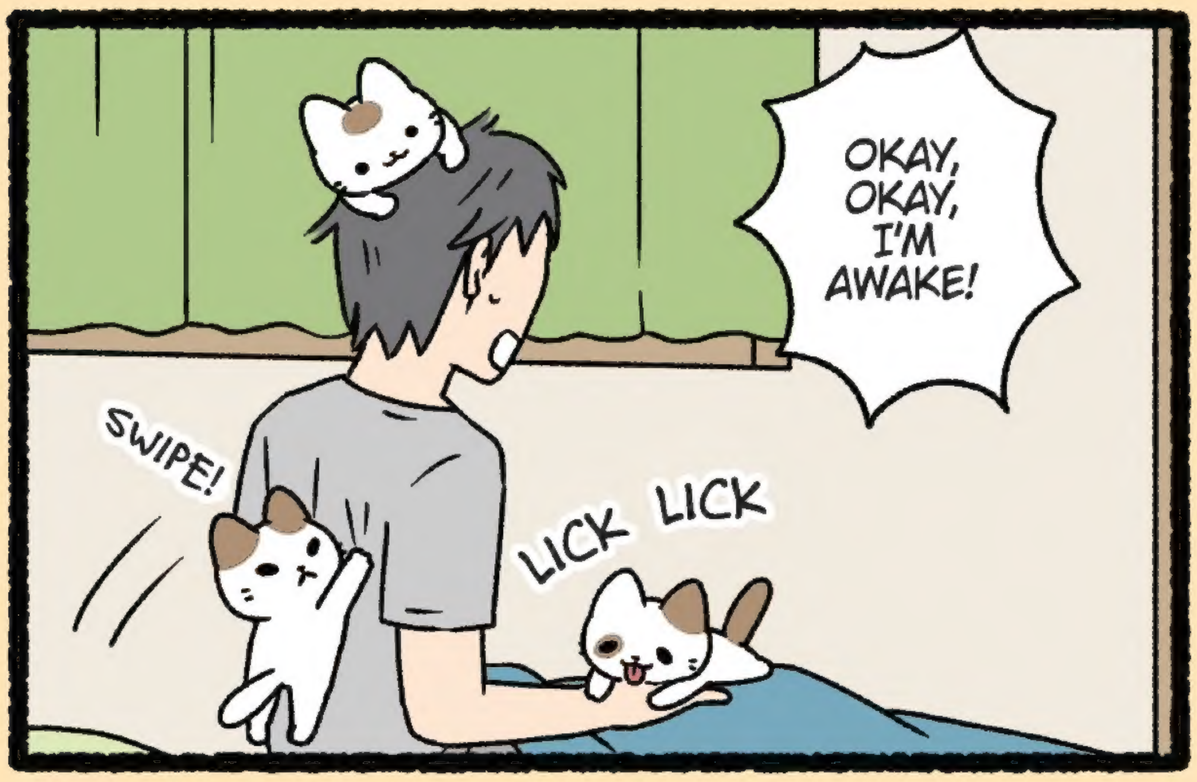
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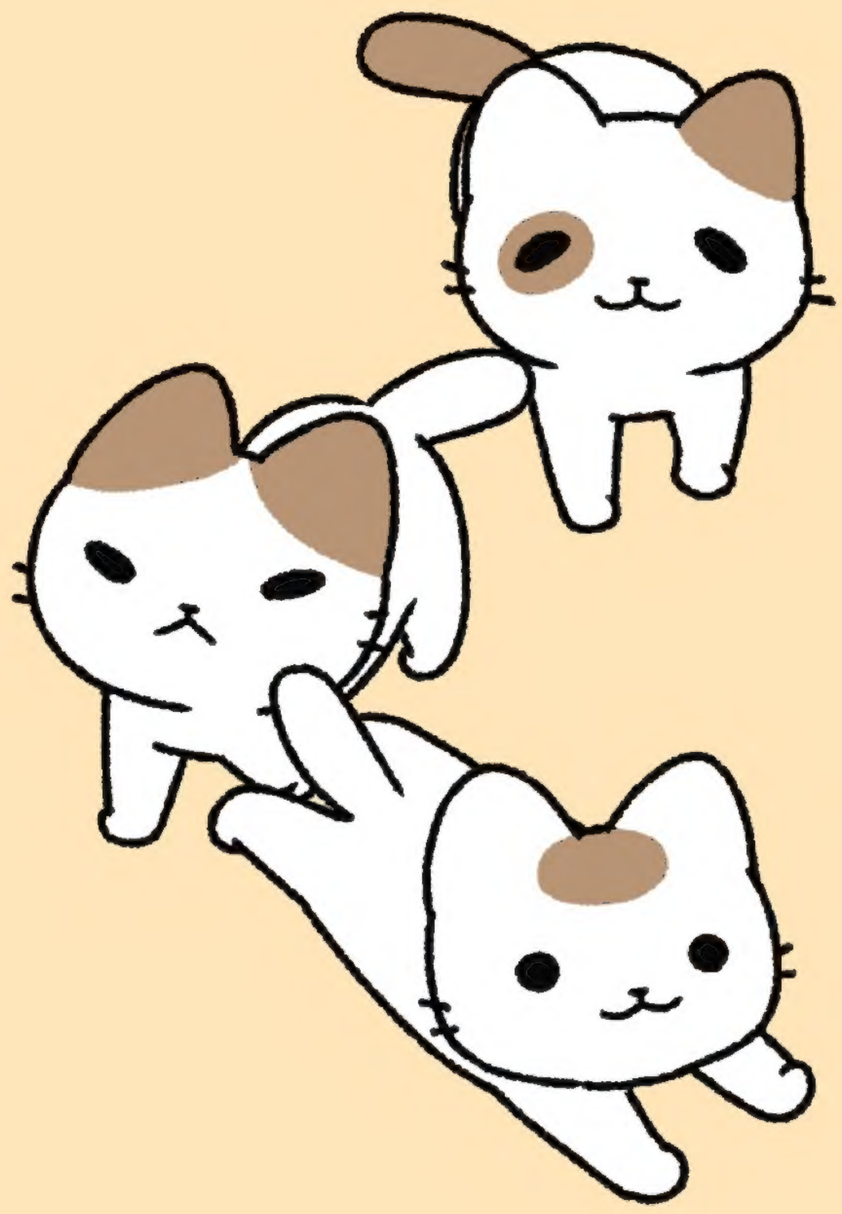


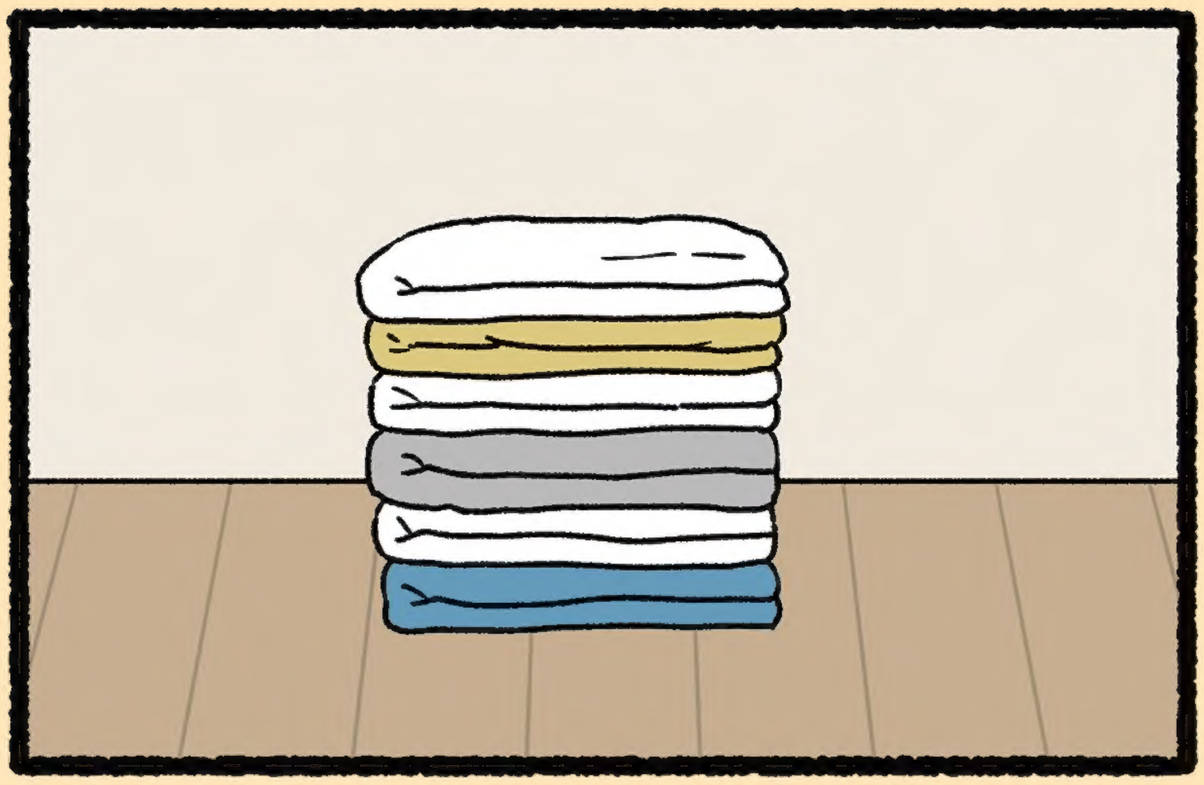


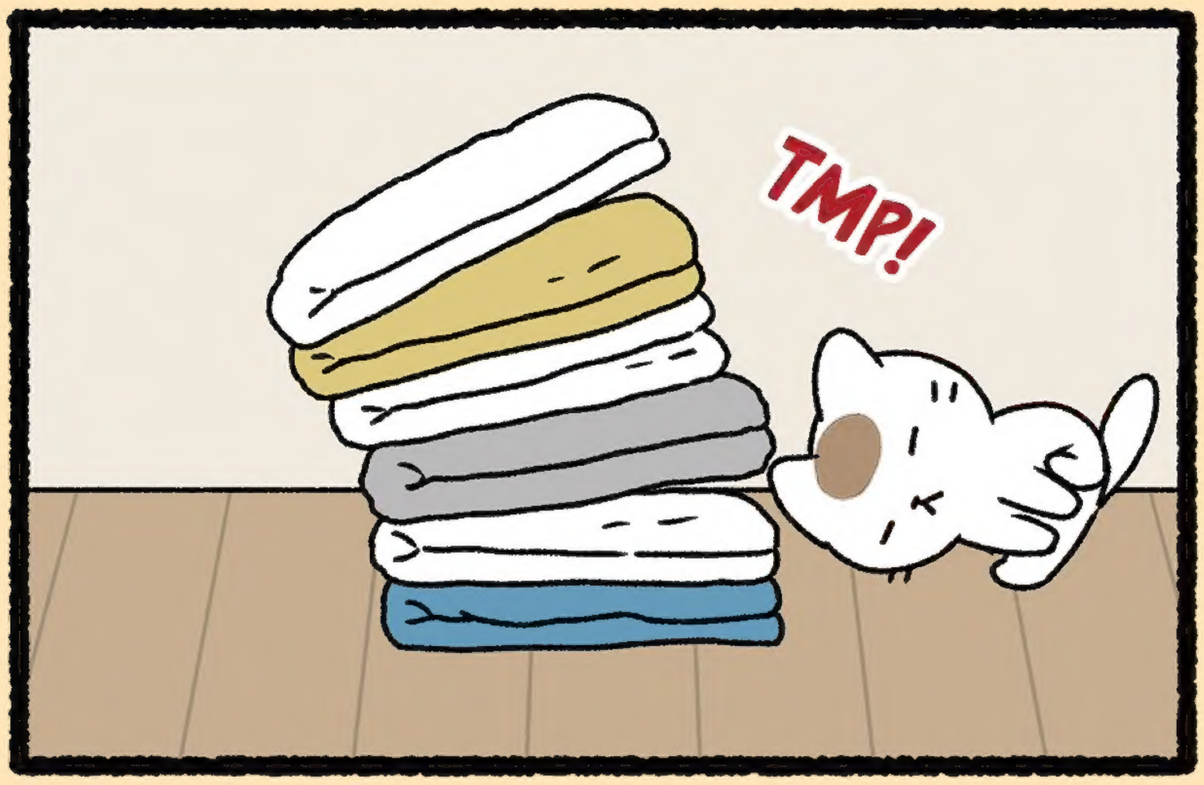
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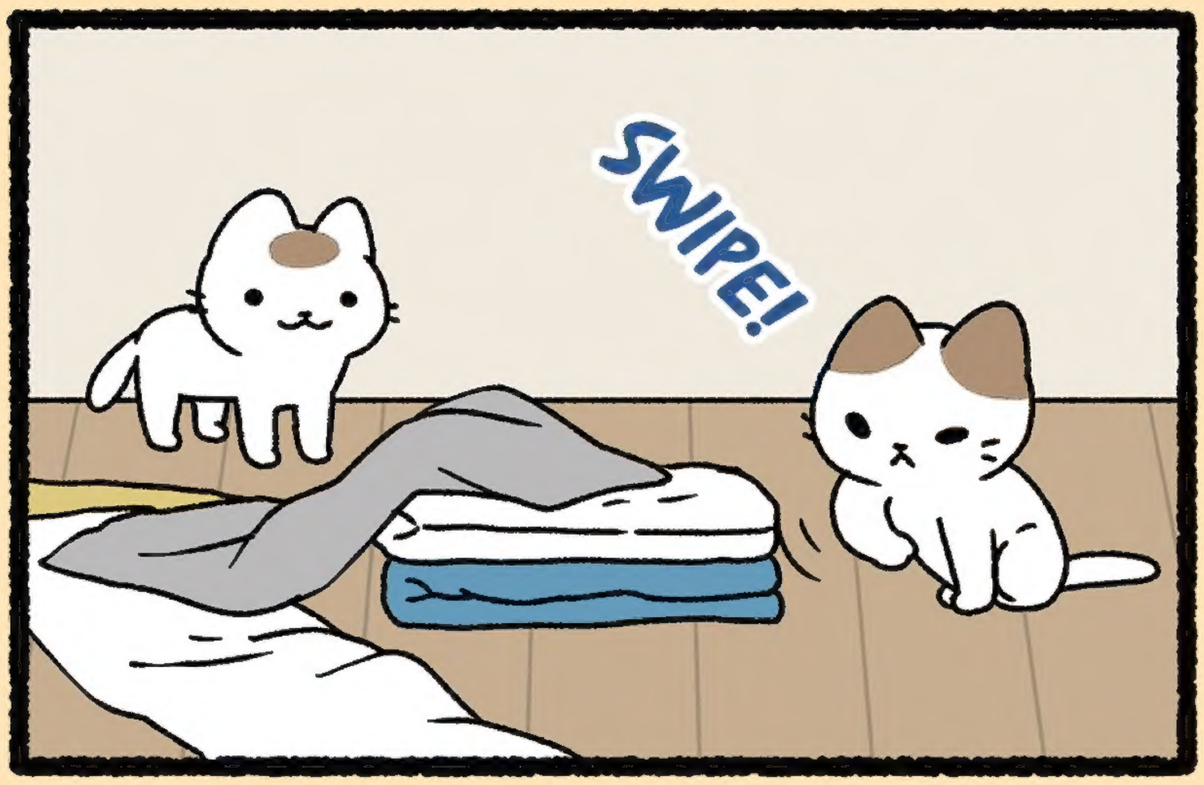
Sickle Weasel

These three buddies are always together. Their colors are similar, but it's unknown whether they're siblings.

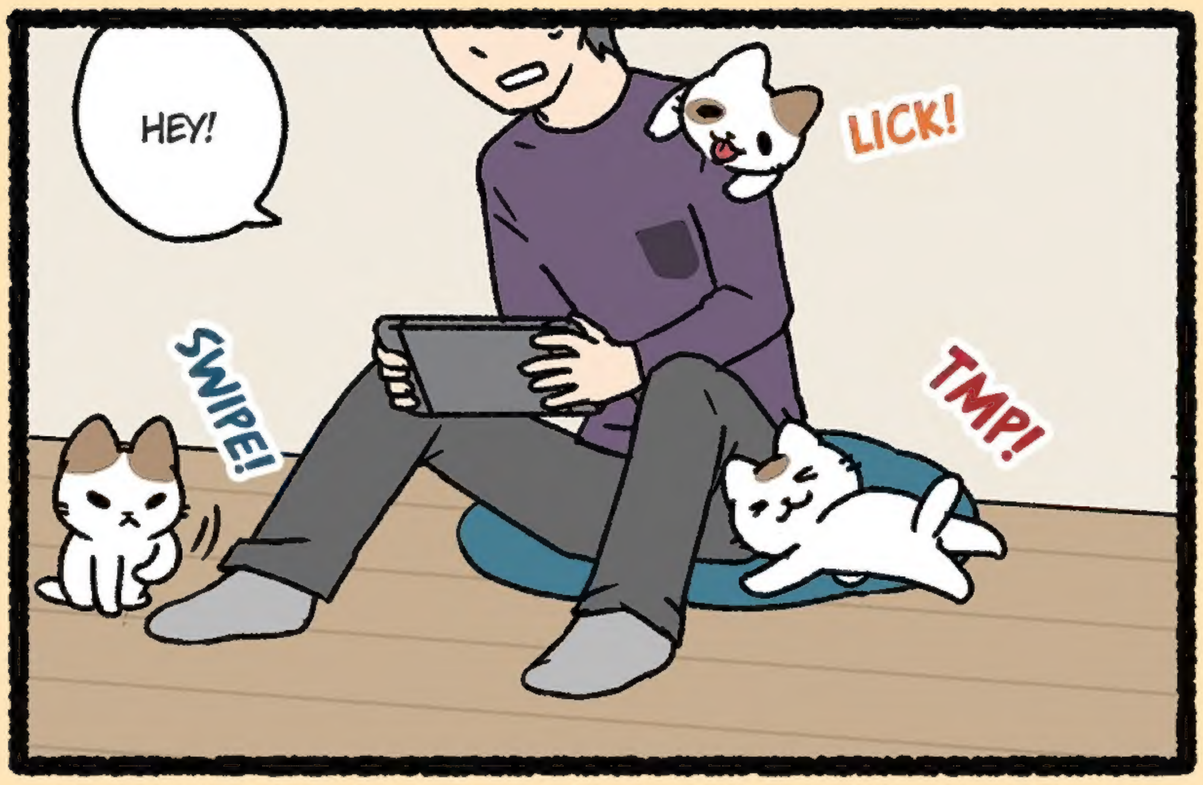


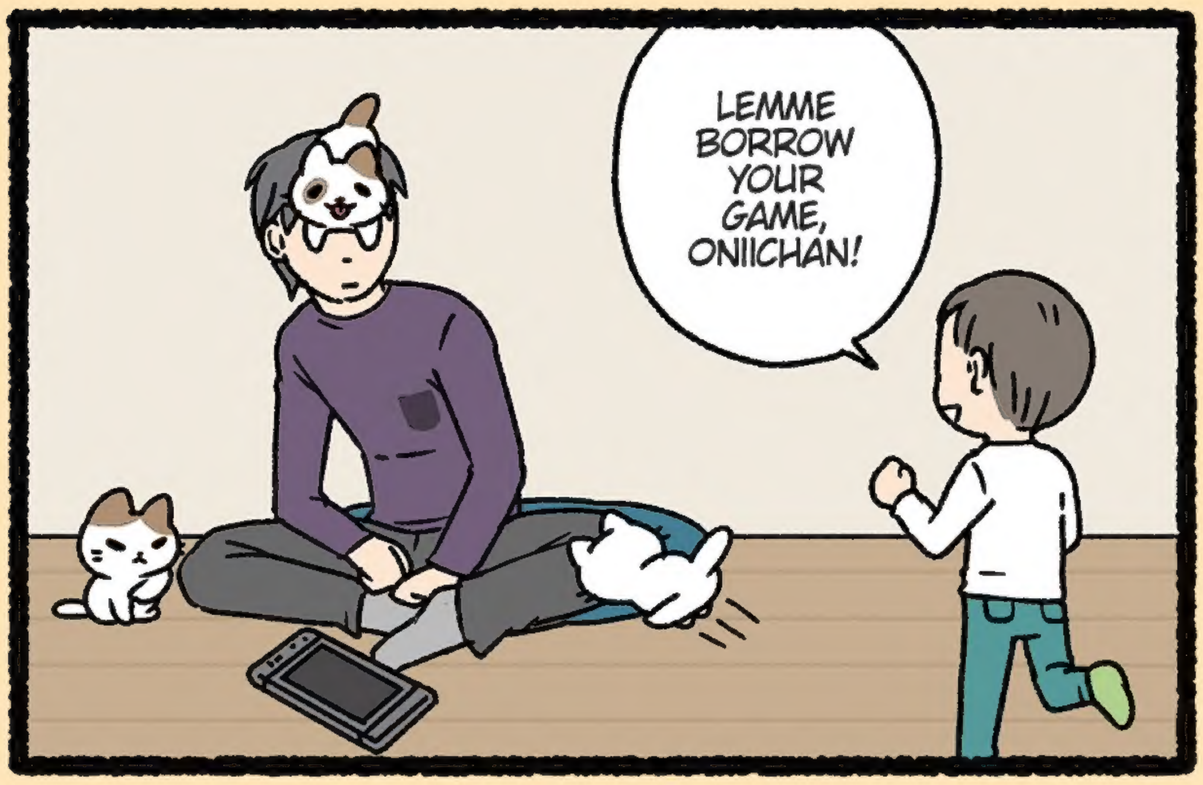



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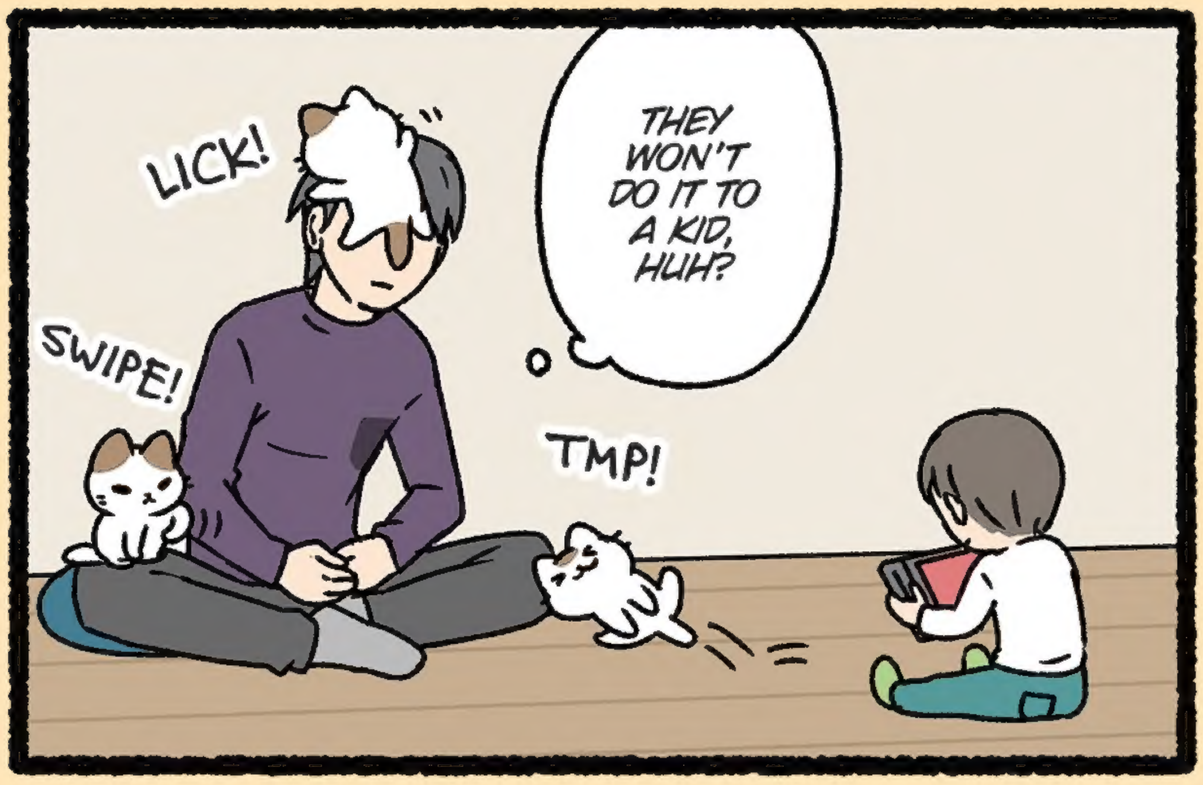

SWIPE!


AHHHHH!
TMP!
SWIPE!
LICK
LICK


HEY!
LICK!
SWIPE!
TMP!


LEMME BORROW YOUR GAME, ONIICHAN!

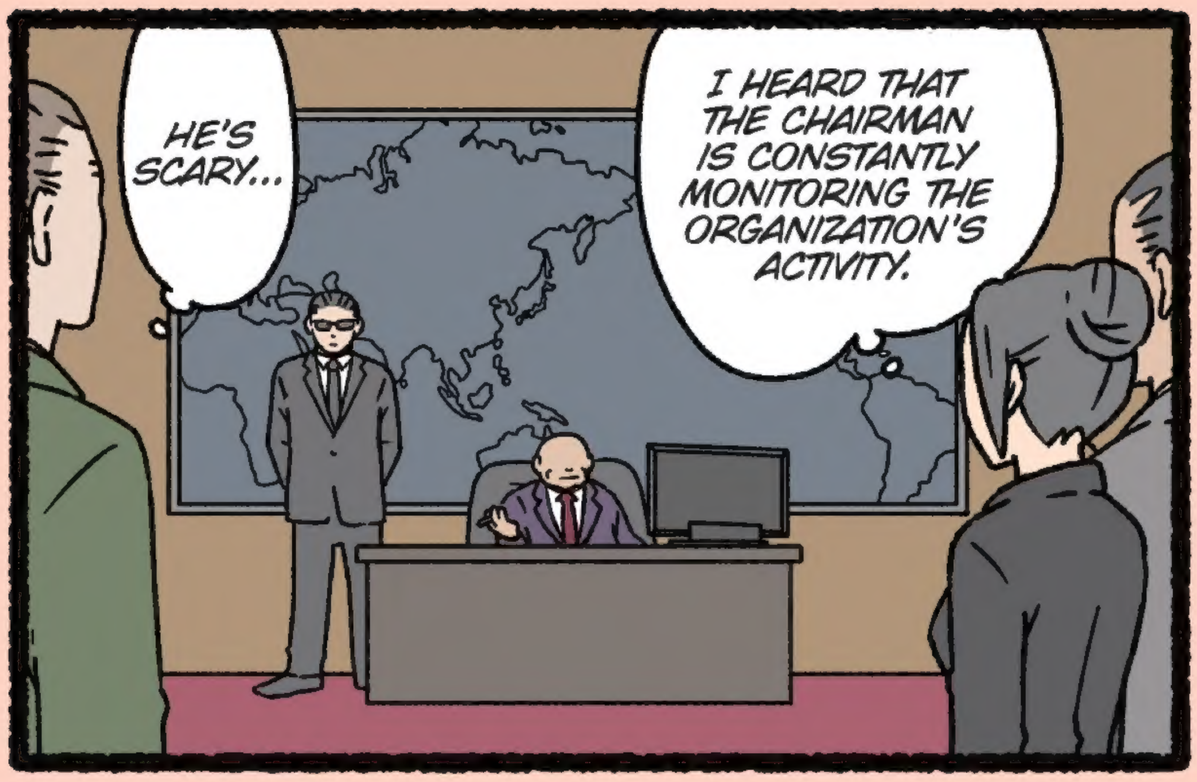

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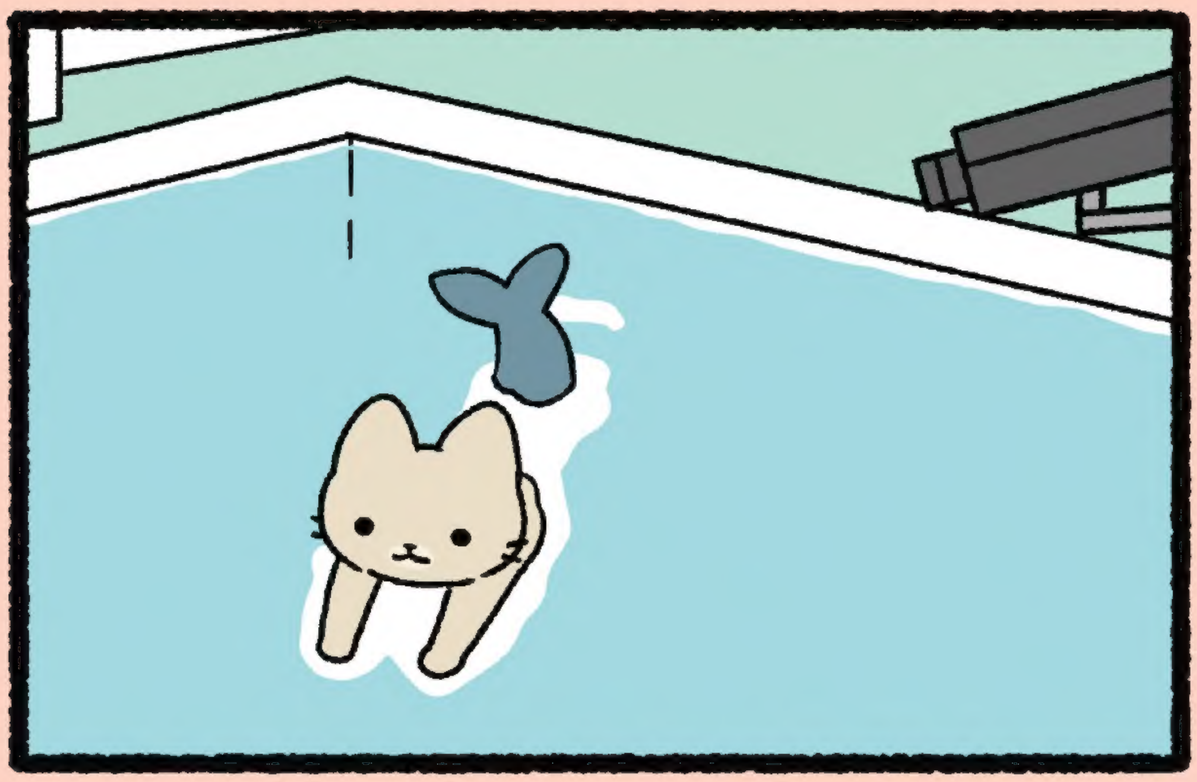

LICK!
SWIPE!
THEY WON'T DO IT TO A KID, HUH?
TMP!

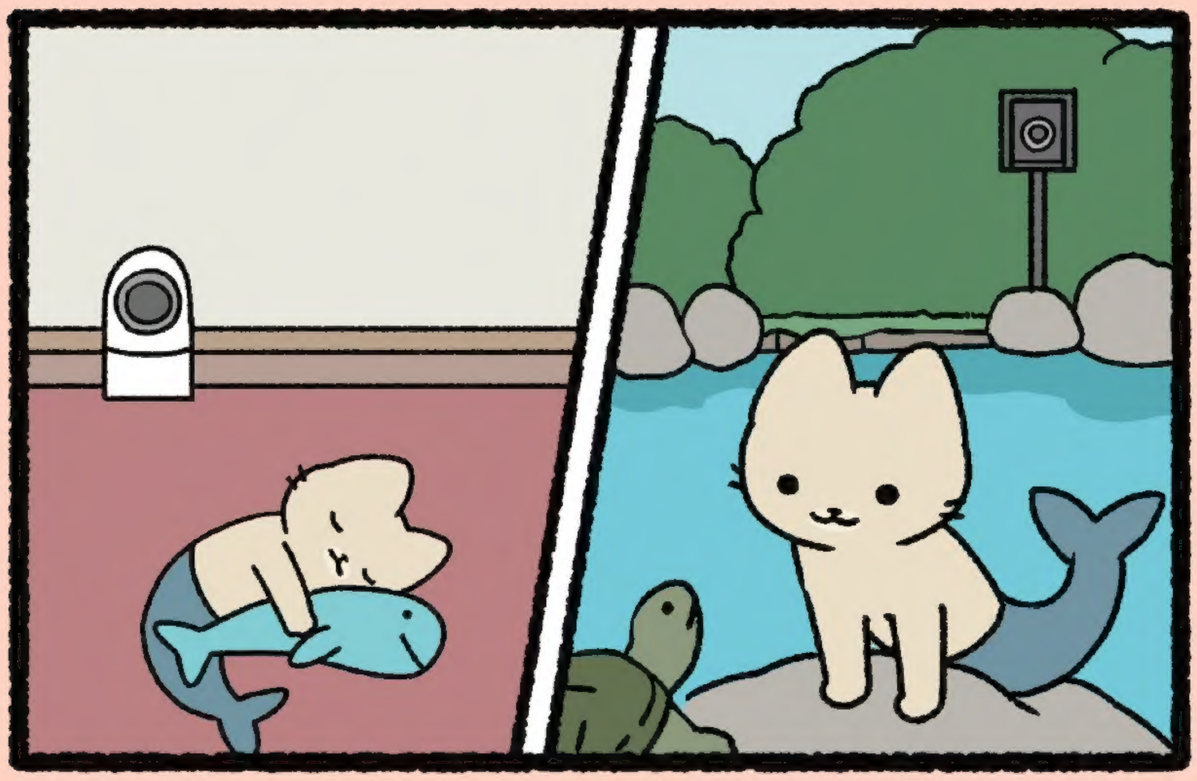
Ningyo

Mermaid

Since it has the lower body of a fish, it needs water to swim in. A house with a swimming pool is ideal.

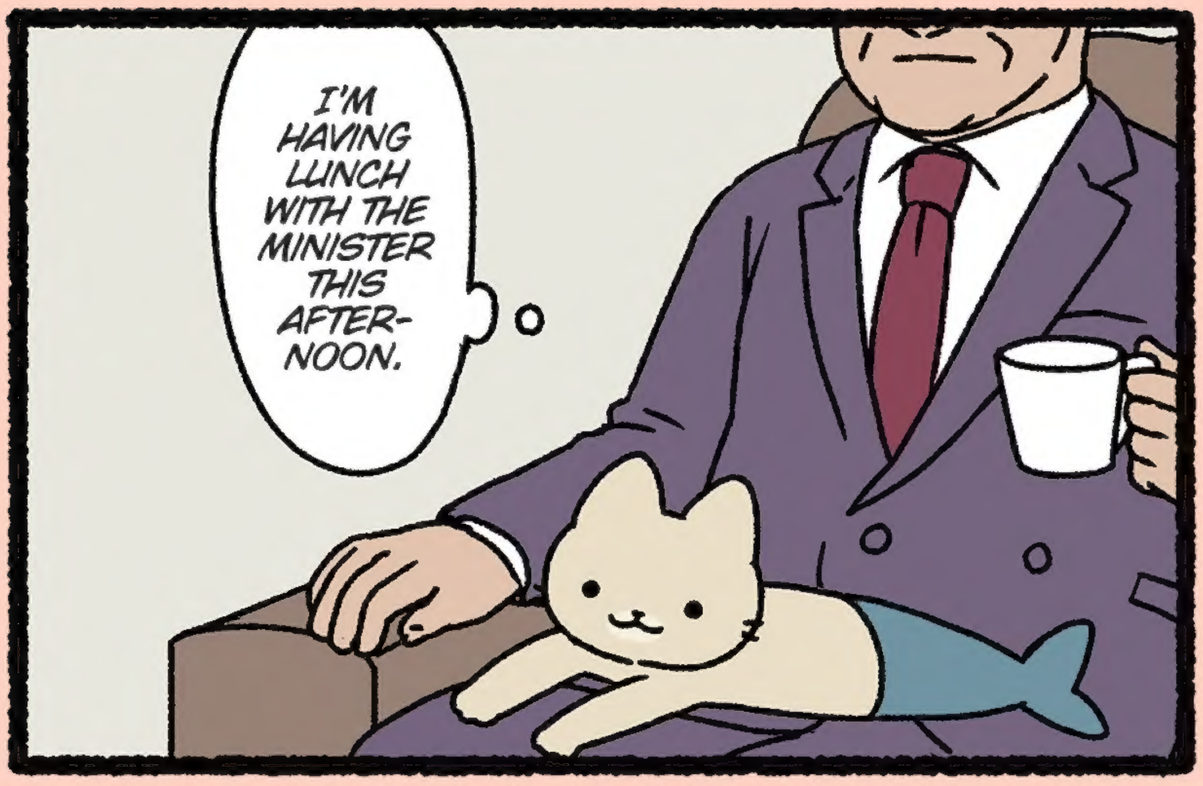


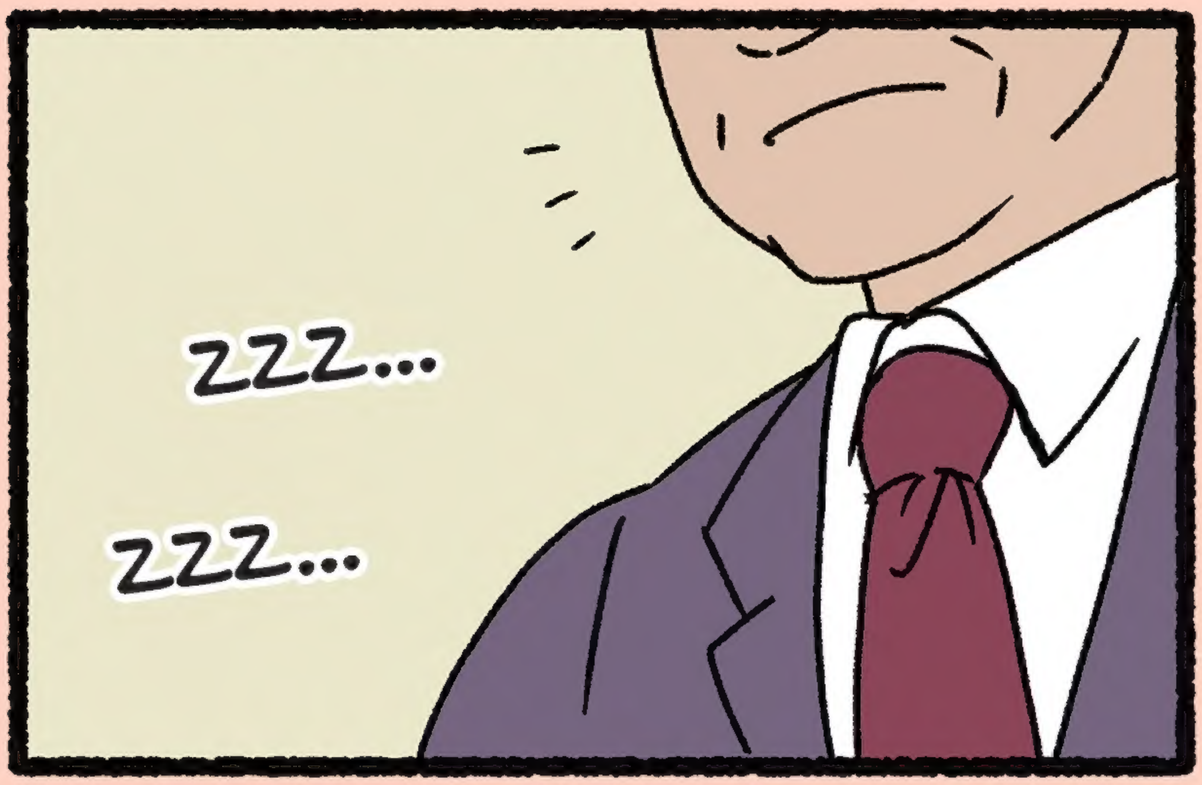


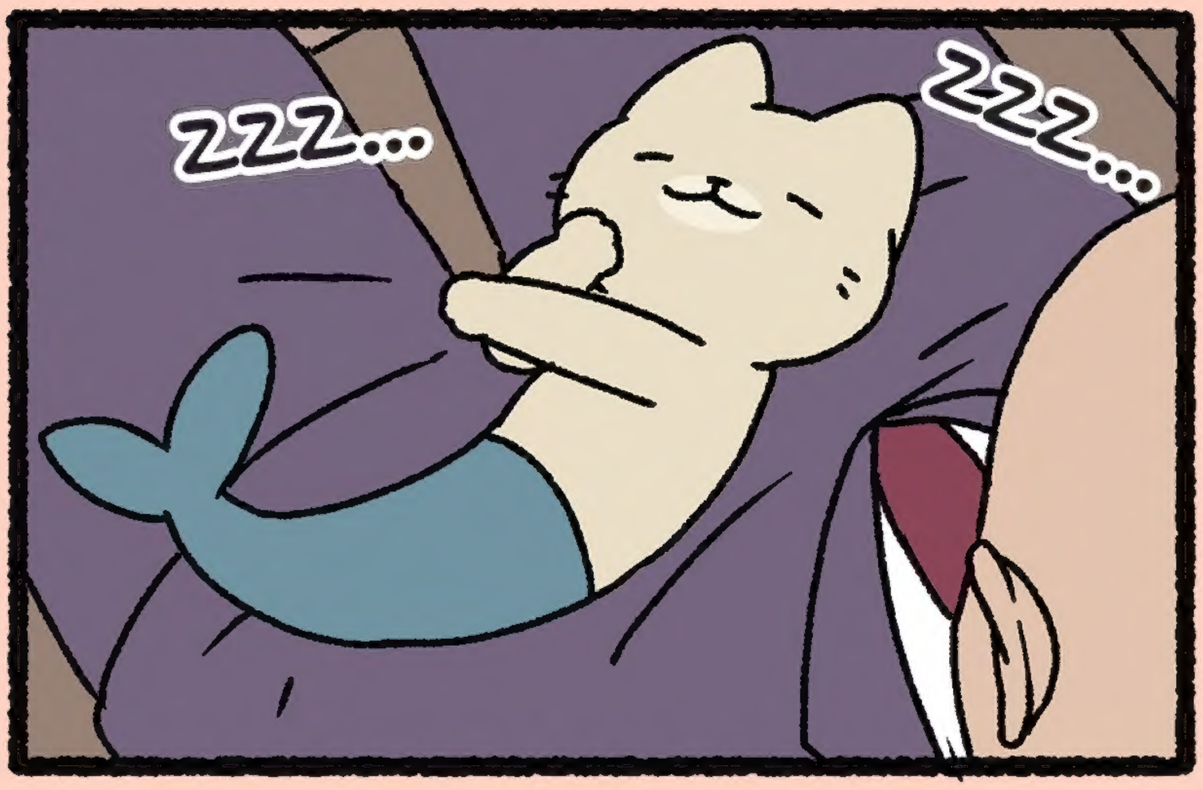


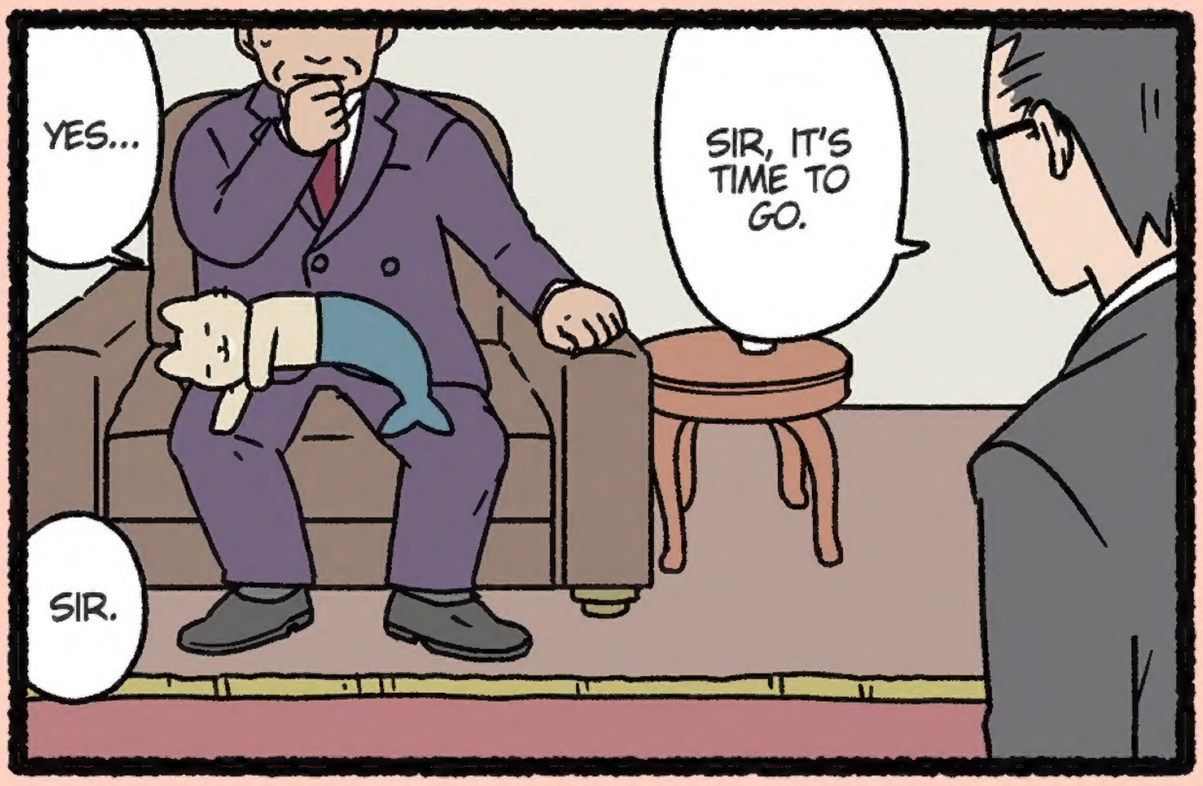


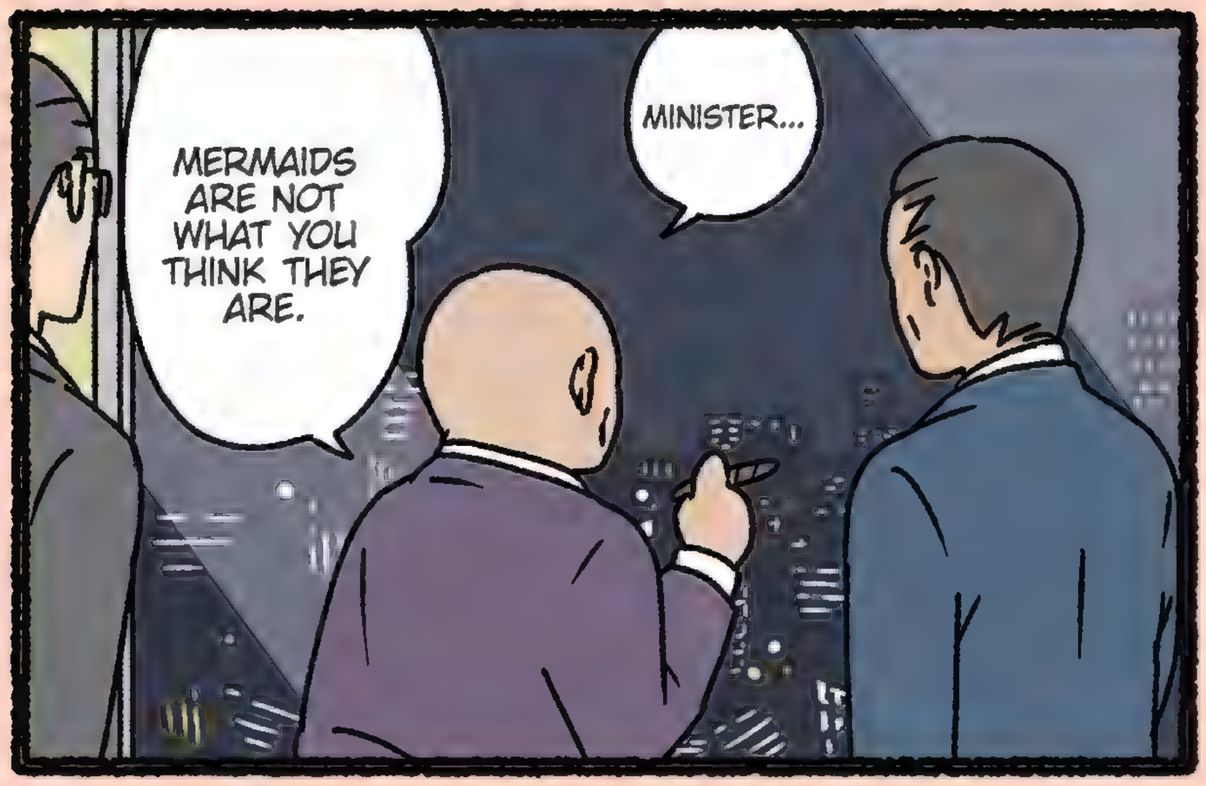


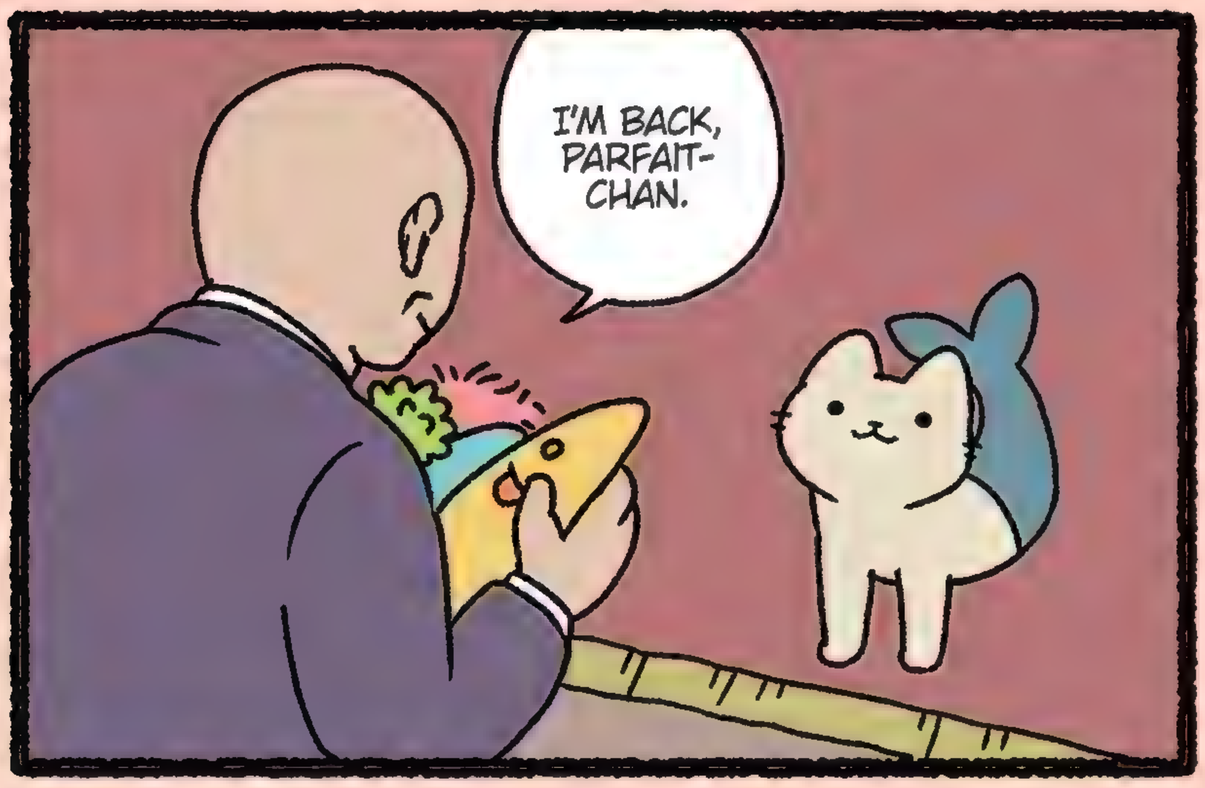

I'M HAVING LUNCH WITH THE MINISTER THIS AFTER-NOON.

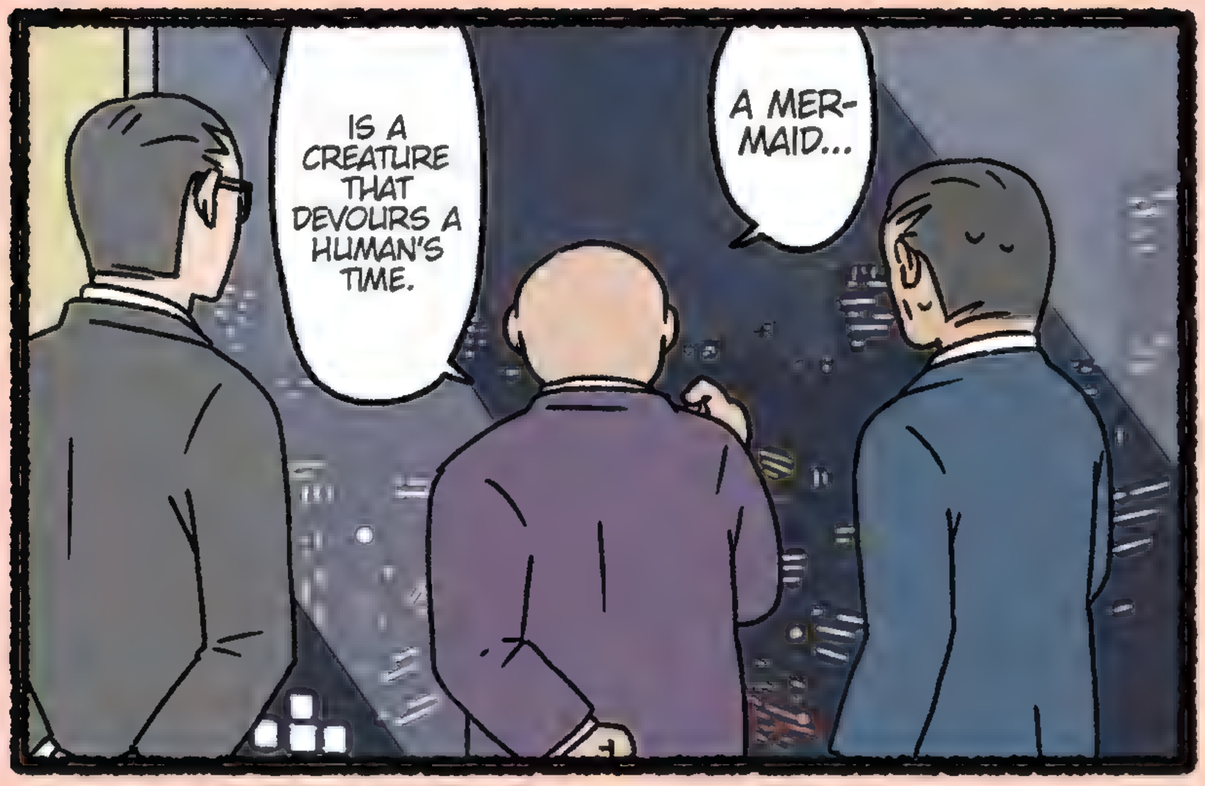

ZZZ...
ZZZ...

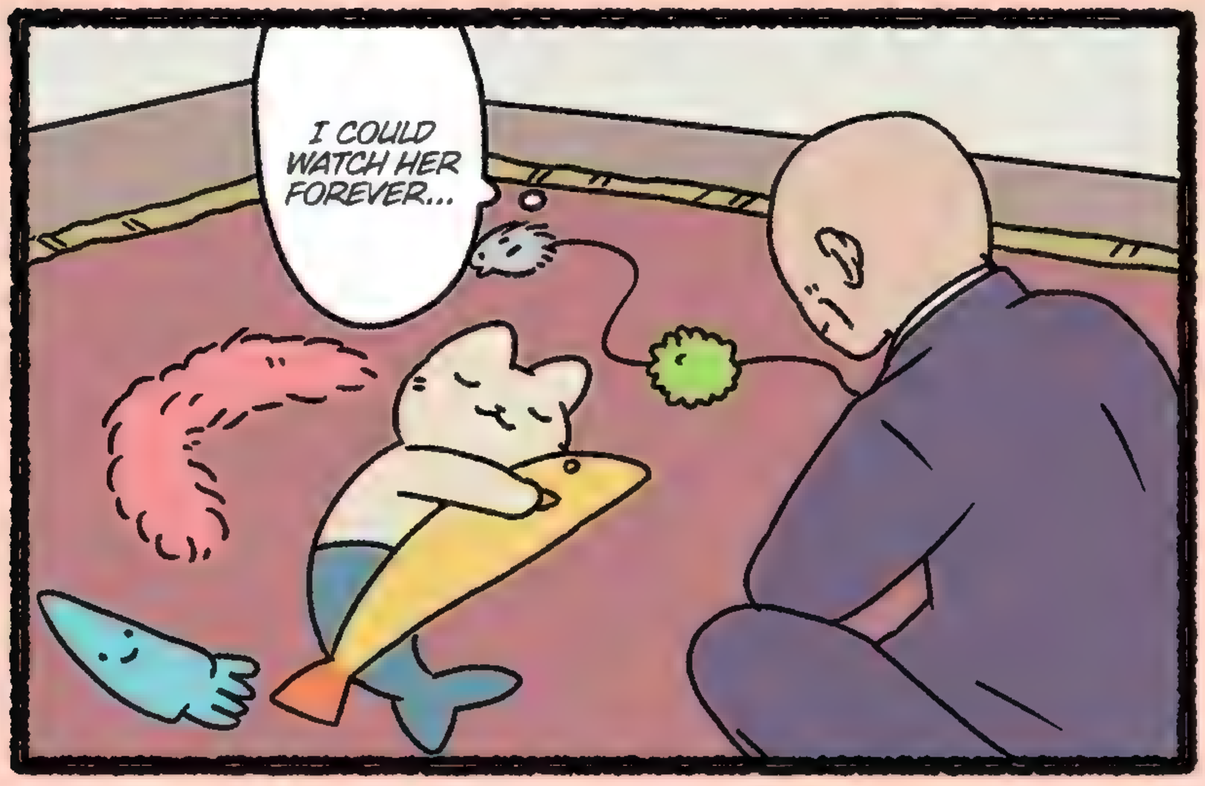

ZZZ...
ZZZ...


YES...
SIR.
SIR, IT'S TIME TO GO.

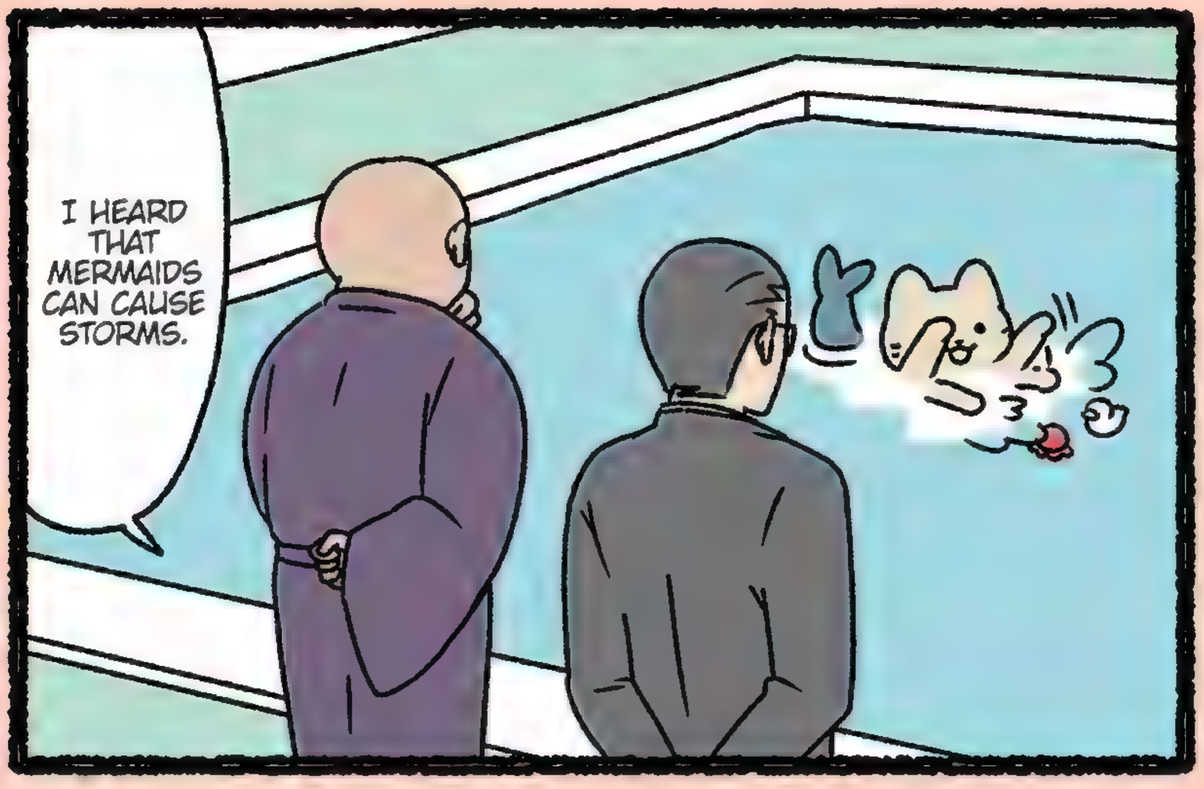

MERMAIDS ARE NOT WHAT YOU THINK THEY ARE.
MINISTER...

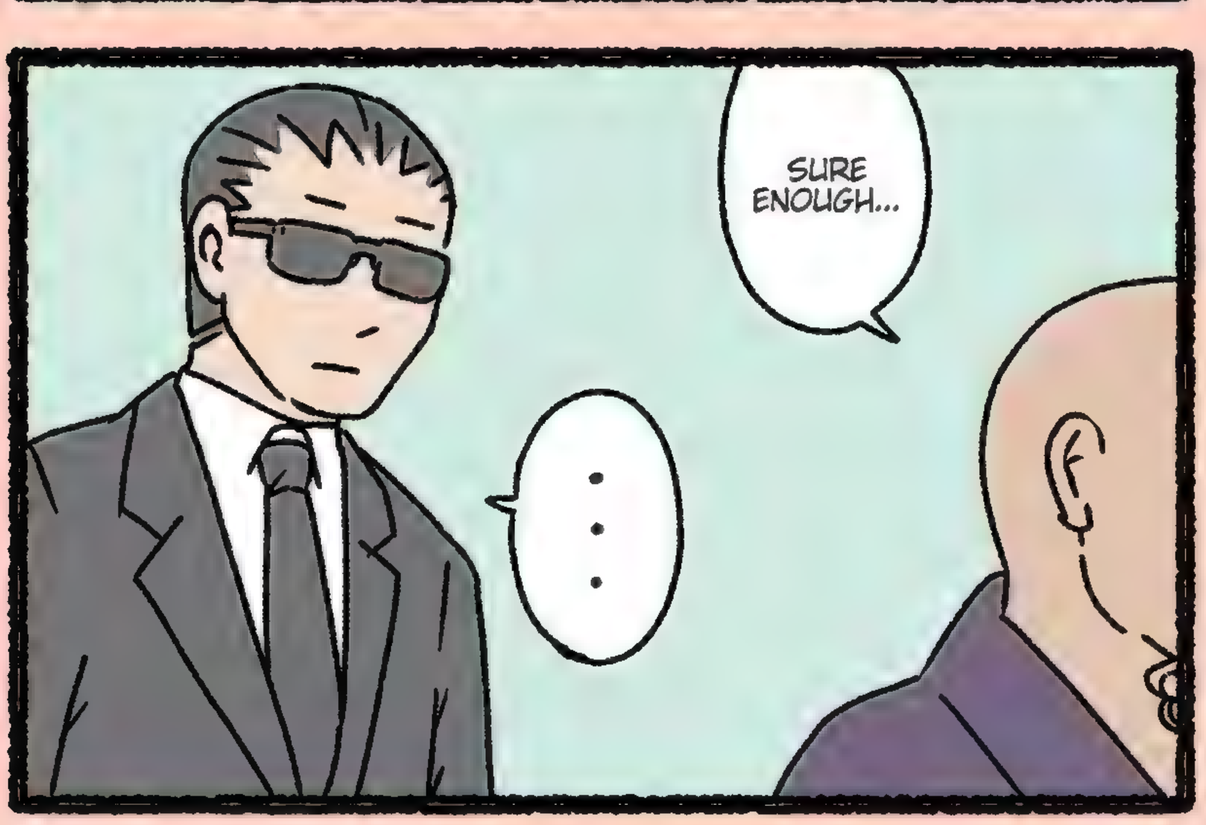

I'M BACK, PARFAIT-CHAN.


IS A CREATURE THAT DEVOURS A HUMAN'S TIME.
A MER-MAID...


I COULD WATCH HER FOREVER...


SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH
SPLASH


I HEARD THAT MERMAIDS CAN CAUSE STORMS.


SURE ENOUGH...
...

Nopperabo

No Face

At the age where it prefers surprising people over being told that it's cute. Seems to be aiming to become a "splendid" nopperabo.



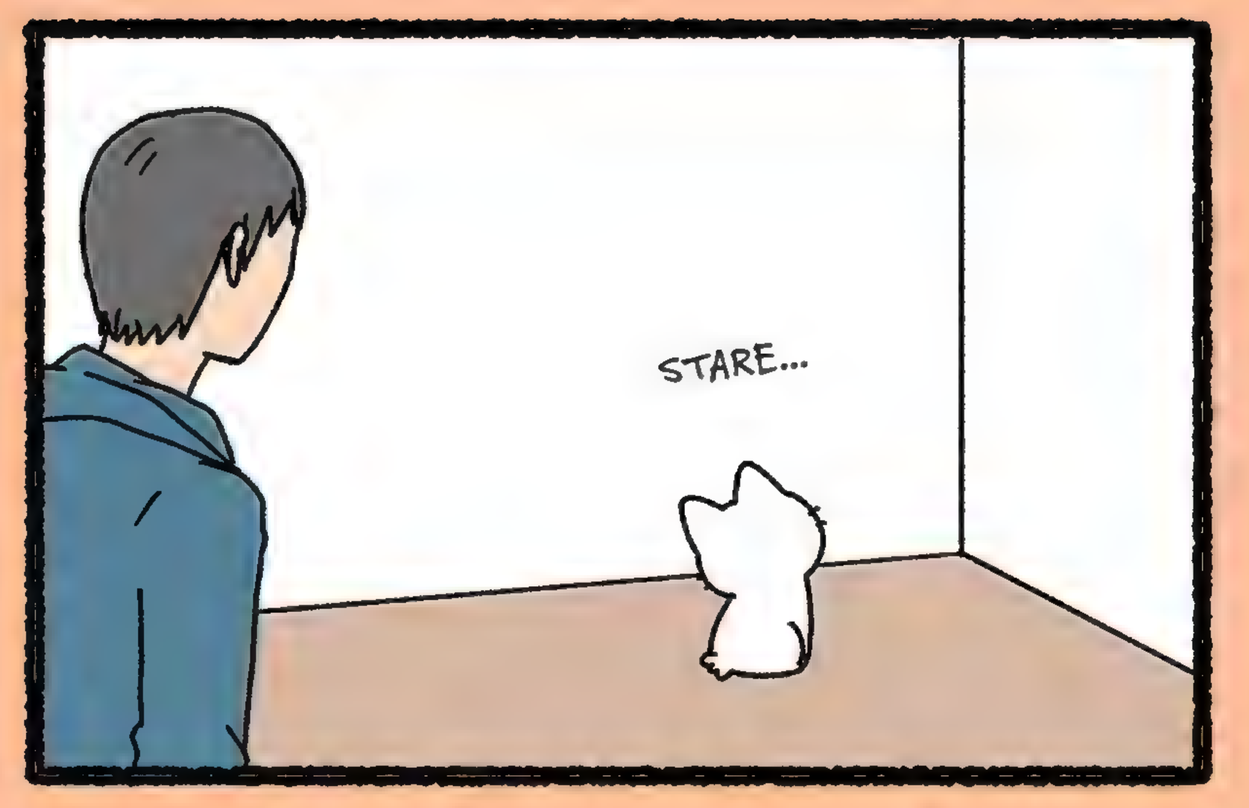


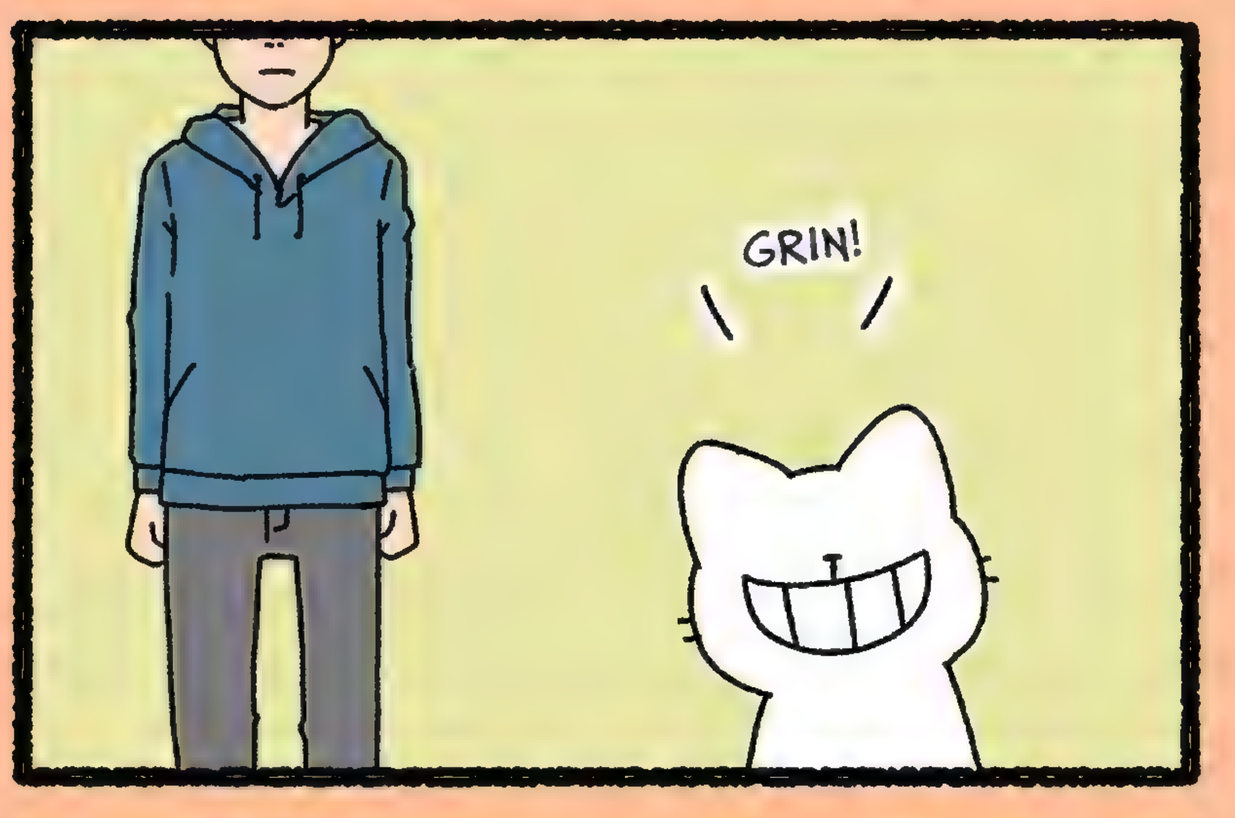

I HAVE HERE A SMALL SLICE OF WATER-MELON.
LOOK THIS WAY!
IT'S A SMILING SHIRO!
YOU CAN EAT THE WATER-MELON.
SORRY!

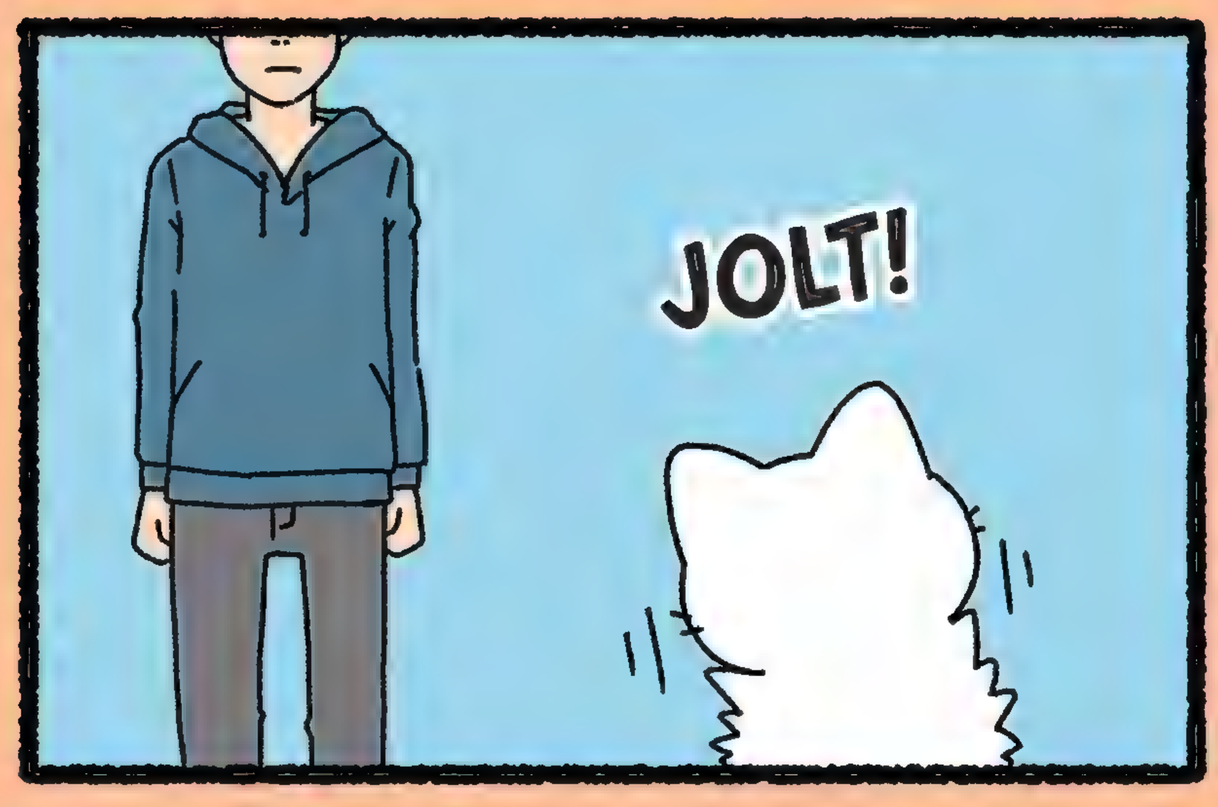




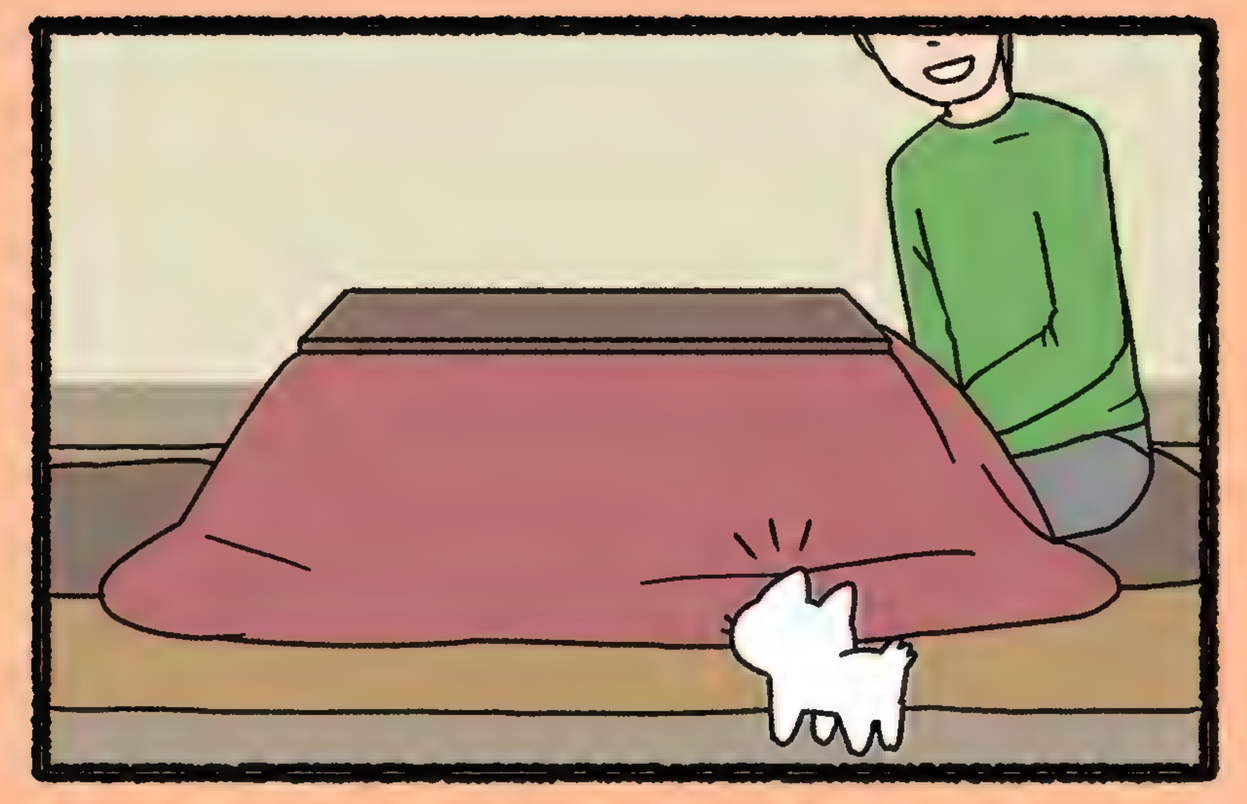
I MADE SOME FOR YOU TOO, SHIRO.
GRIN!

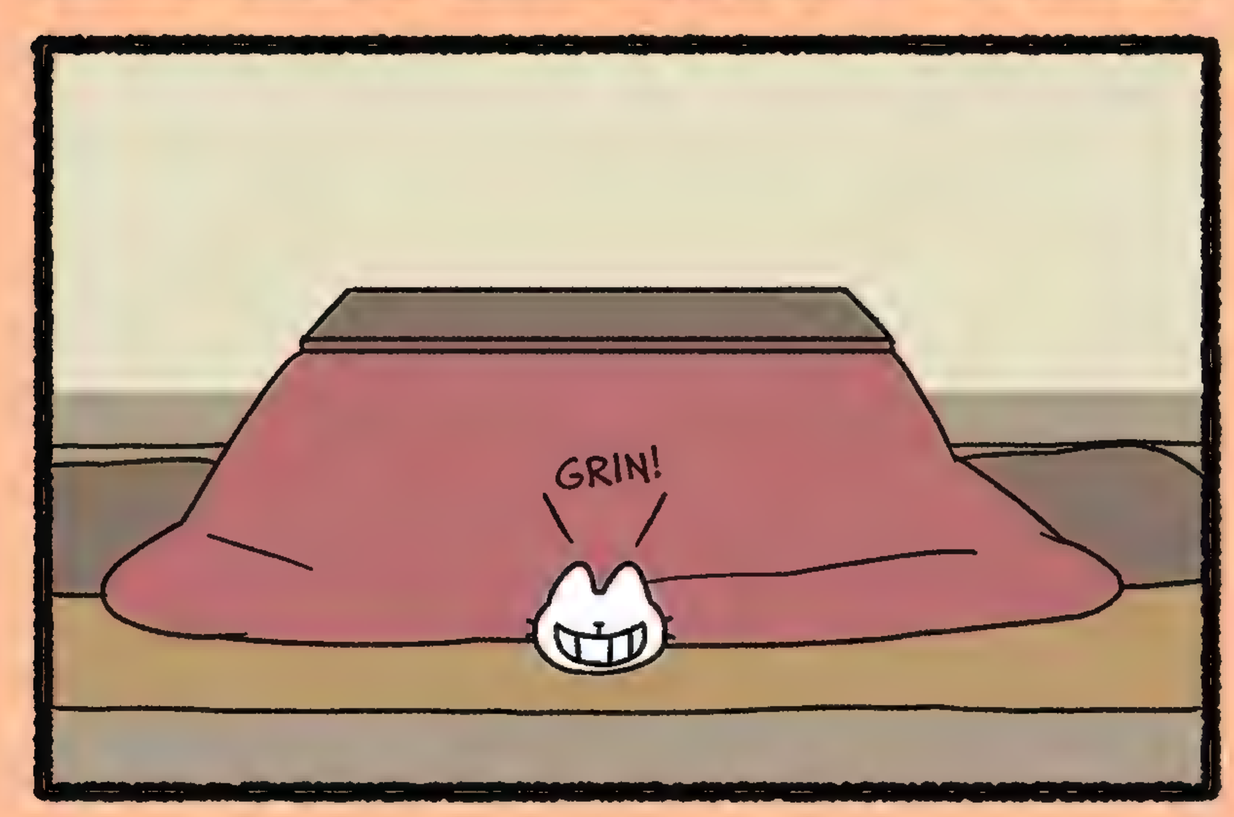

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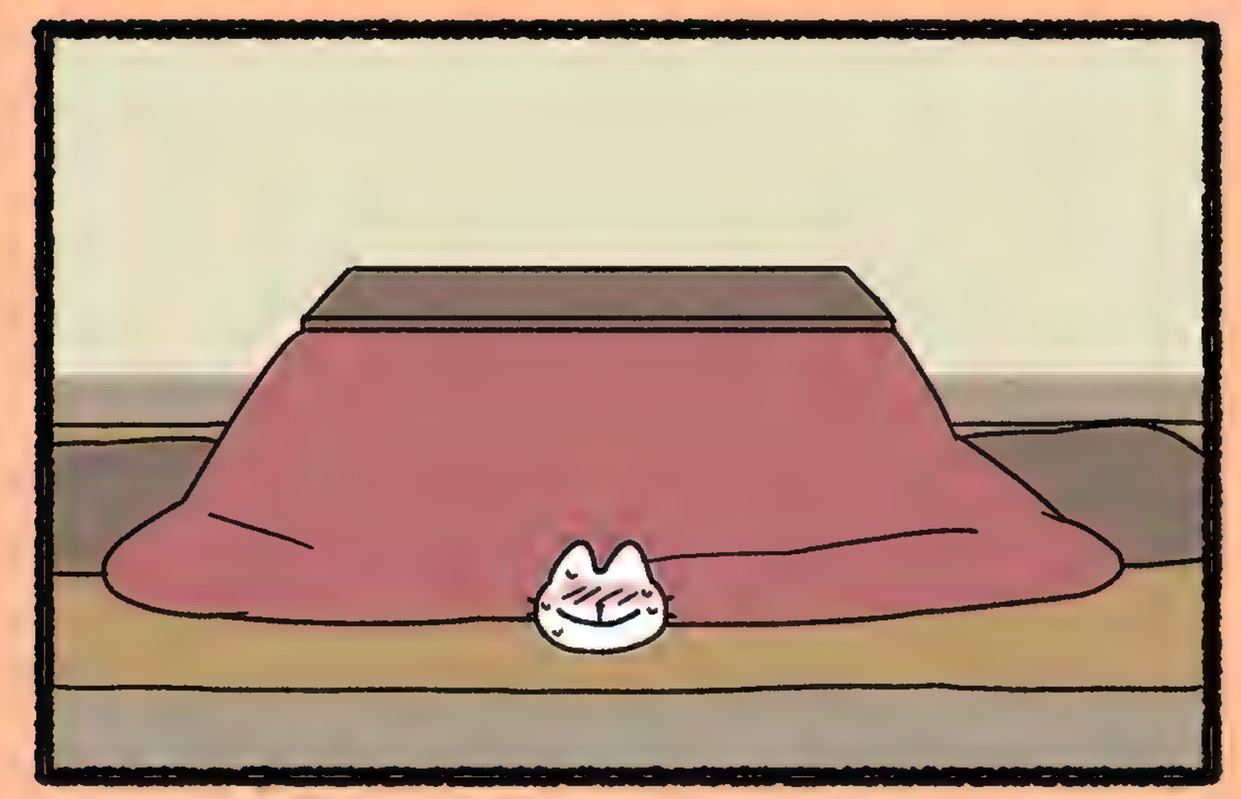

GRIN!


JOLT!


IS SOME-THING THERE ?!
HUH?!




GRIN!






HIS PAR-ENTS' HOUSE.
WELCOME!
HONEY, SHIRO-CHAN IS HERE.
WELCOME!
WA HA HA HA!
HEY!

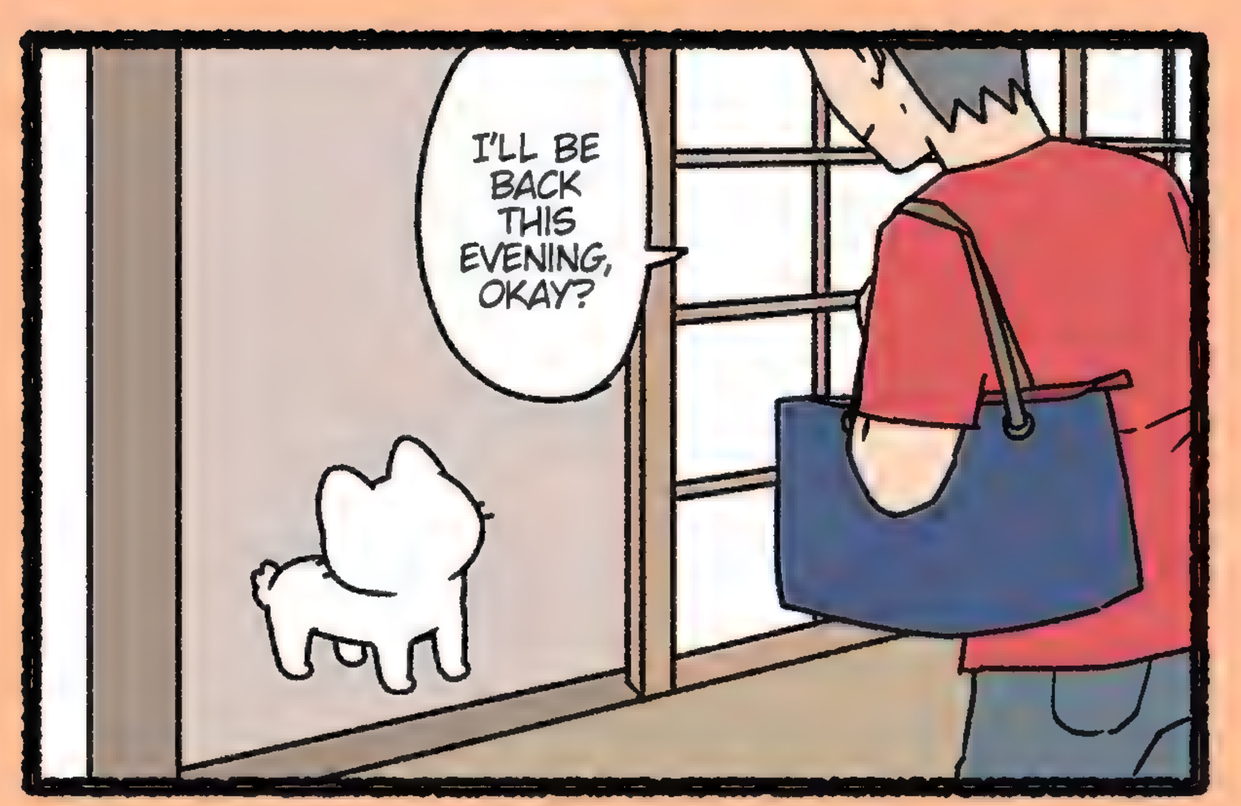

LET'S GO SEE THE CHERRY BLOSSOMS.
WHOA!
HUH?!
CATS GATHER TO LOOK AT FLOWERS TOO?


AT THE OFFICE.

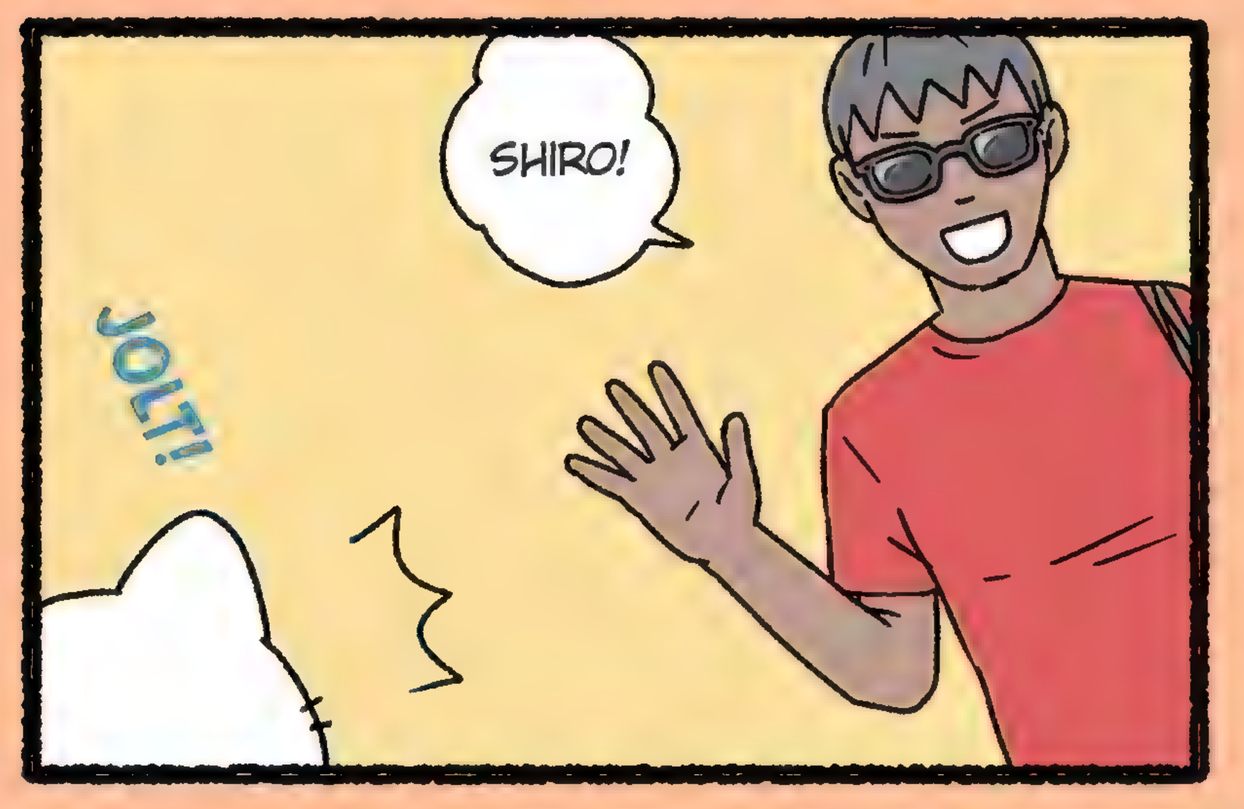

I GRIN!

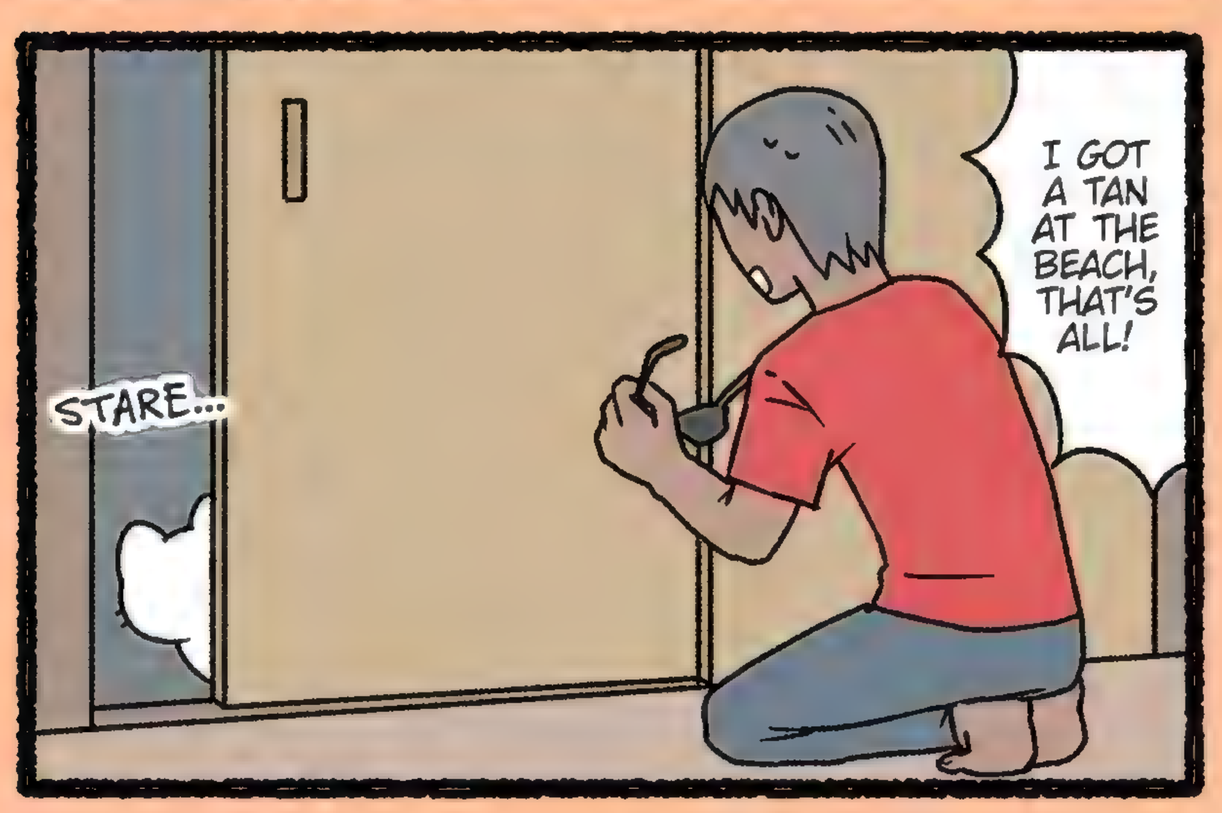

IT LOOKS HOT OUT.
I SHOULD GO HOME EARLY TODAY!

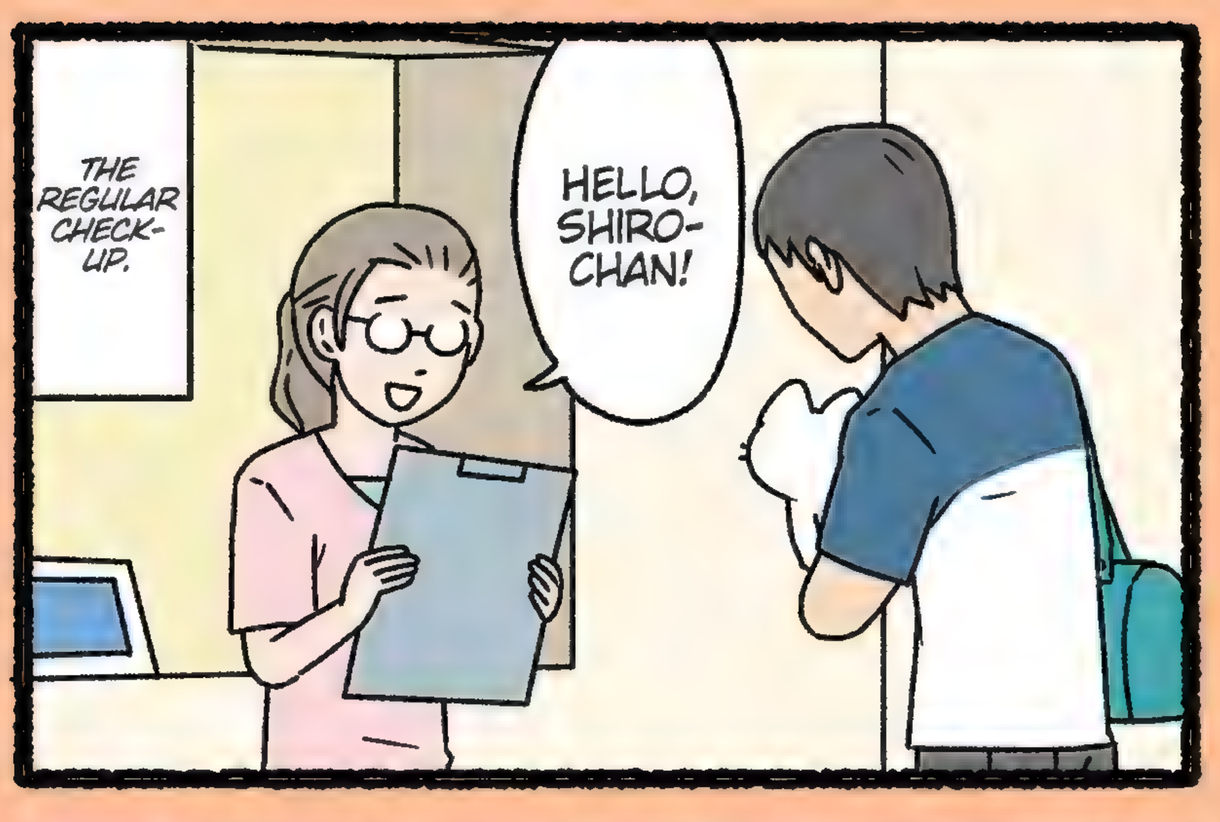

I'M HOME!
GRIN!
LOOK WHAT I BOUGHT!
ISN'T IT CU--
SPLAT!
SORRY! NOW I FEEL BAD!

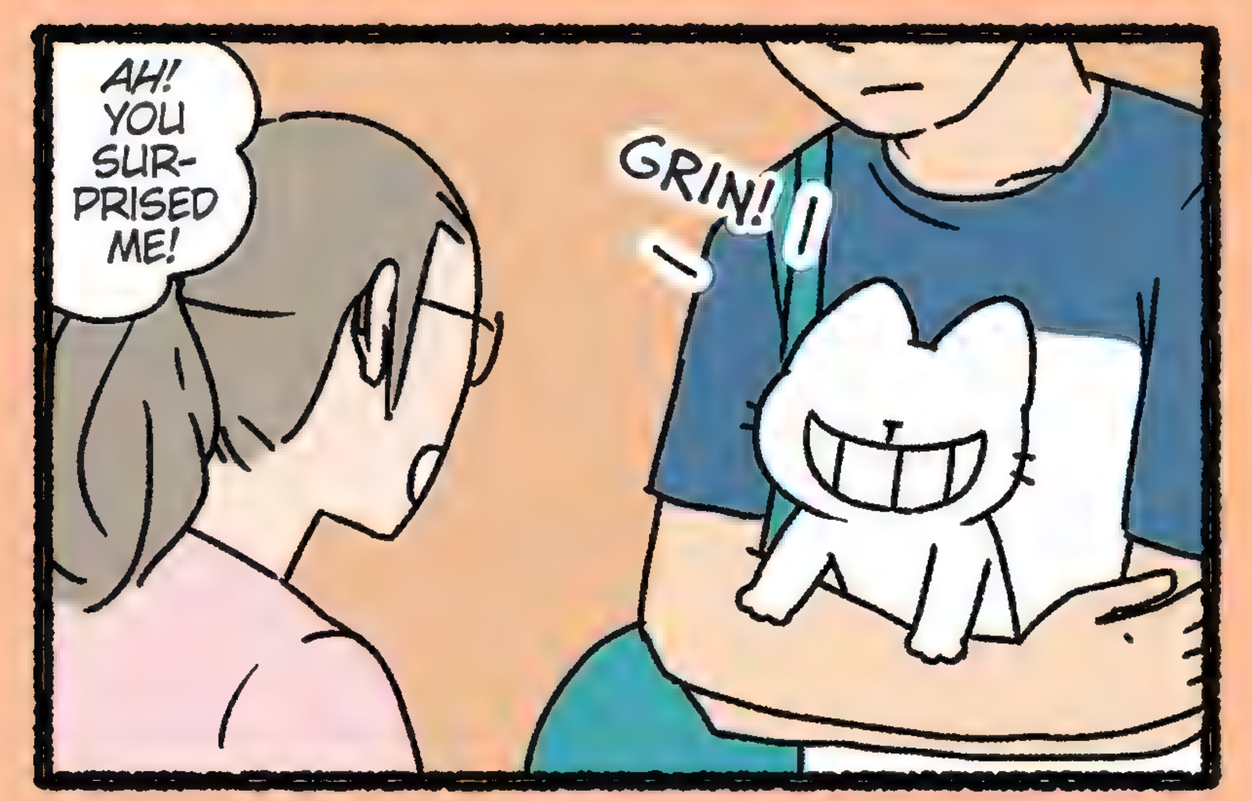

I'LL BE BACK THIS EVENING, OKAY?

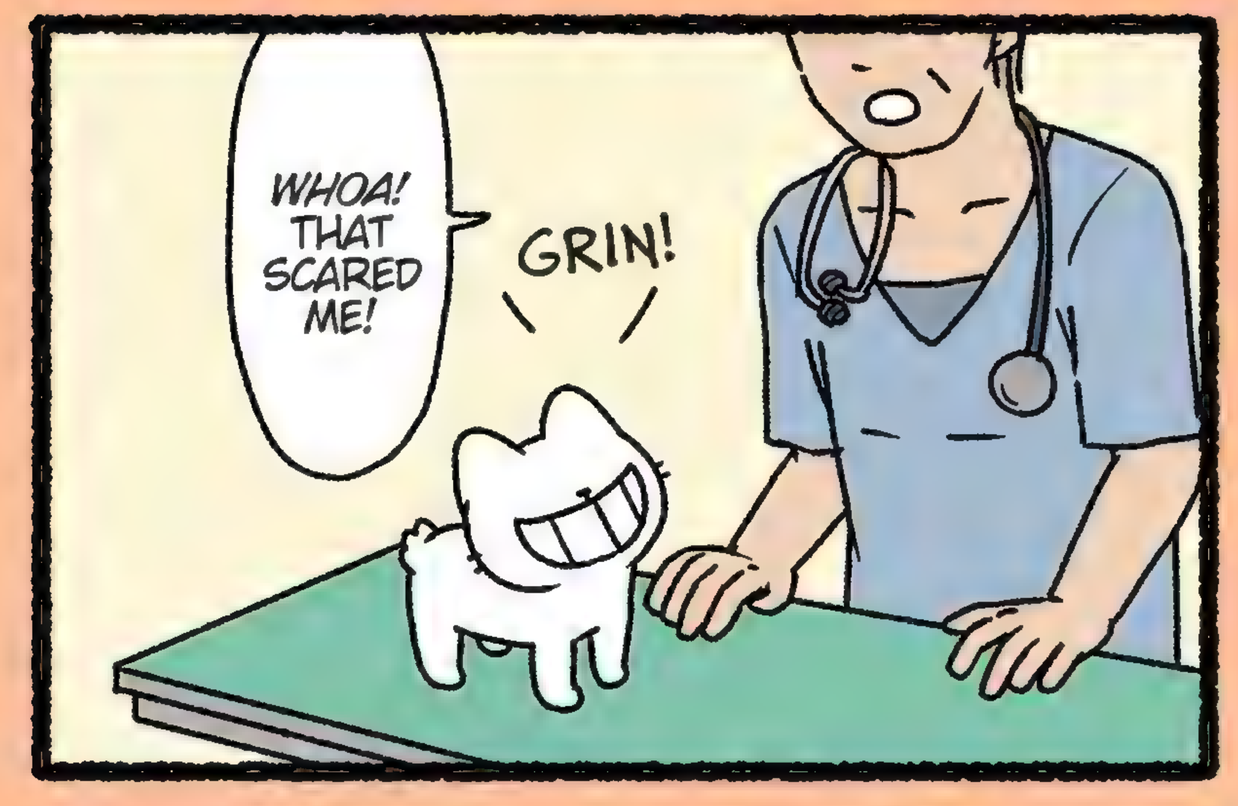

EVE-NING.
GRIN!
I'M HOME!

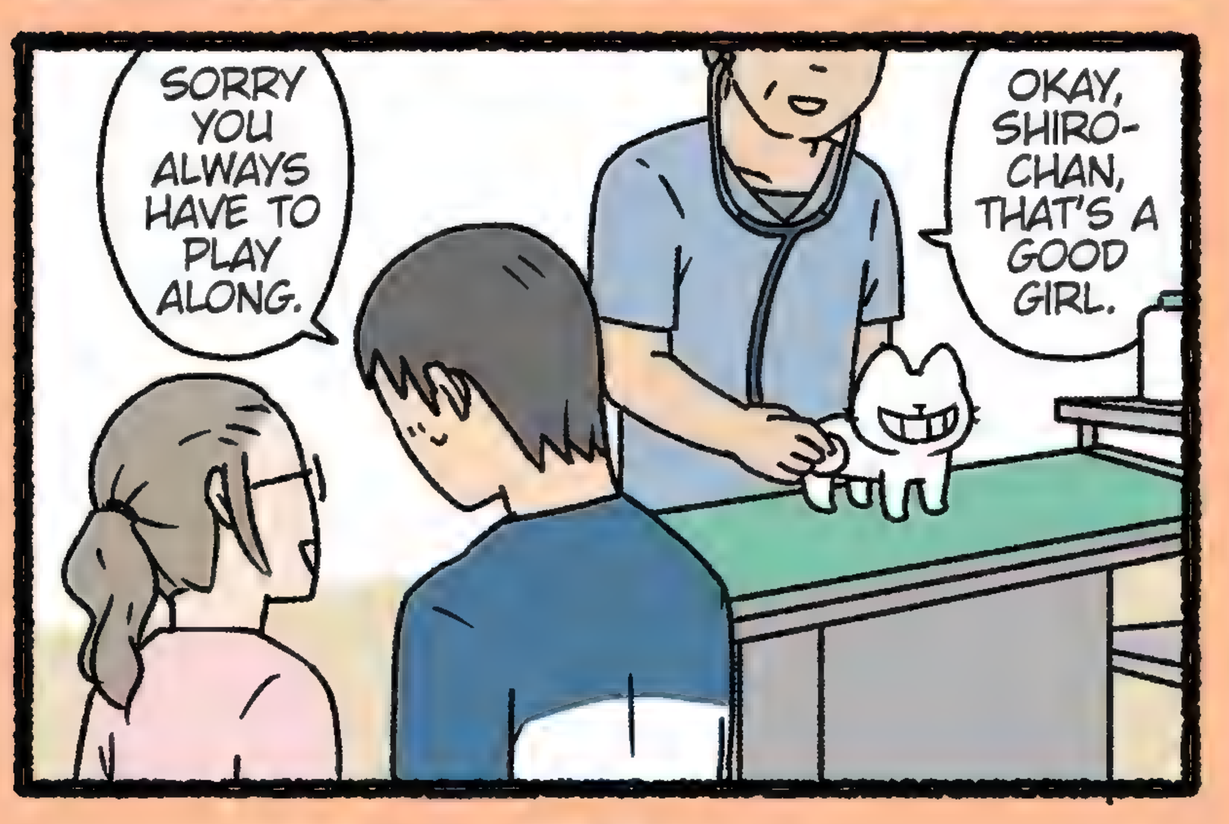

SHIRO!
JOLT!


I GOT A TAN AT THE BEACH, THAT'S ALL!
STARE...


THE REGULAR CHECK-UP.
HELLO, SHIRO-CHAN!

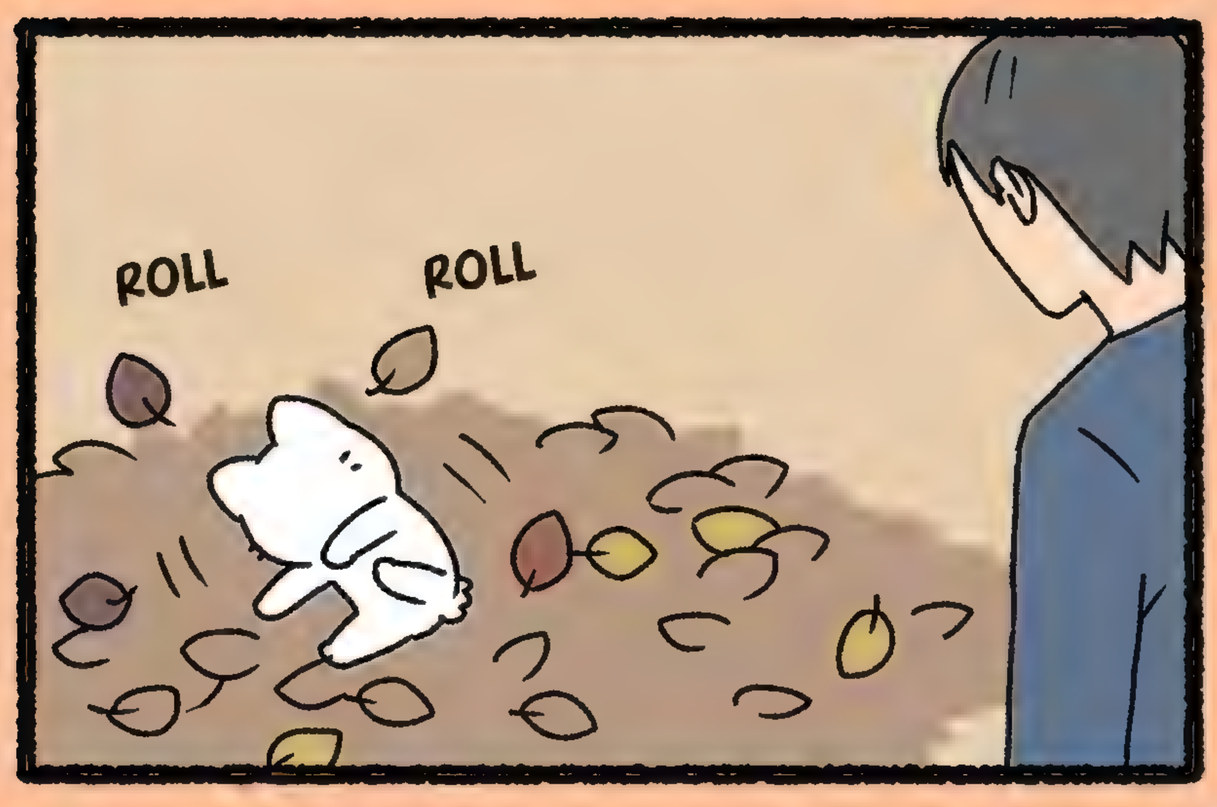

AH! YOU SUR-PRISED ME!
GRIN!


WHOA! THAT SCARED ME!
GRIN!


SORRY YOU ALWAYS HAVE TO PLAY ALONG.
OKAY, SHIRO-CHAN, THAT'S A GOOD GIRL.


I MADE GRILLED SAURY!
GRIN!
I NEED TO TAKE THE BONES OUT FOR YOU.
FIDDLE
FIDDLE
SORRY! I'M ALMOST DONE, OKAY?!




ROLL
ROLL

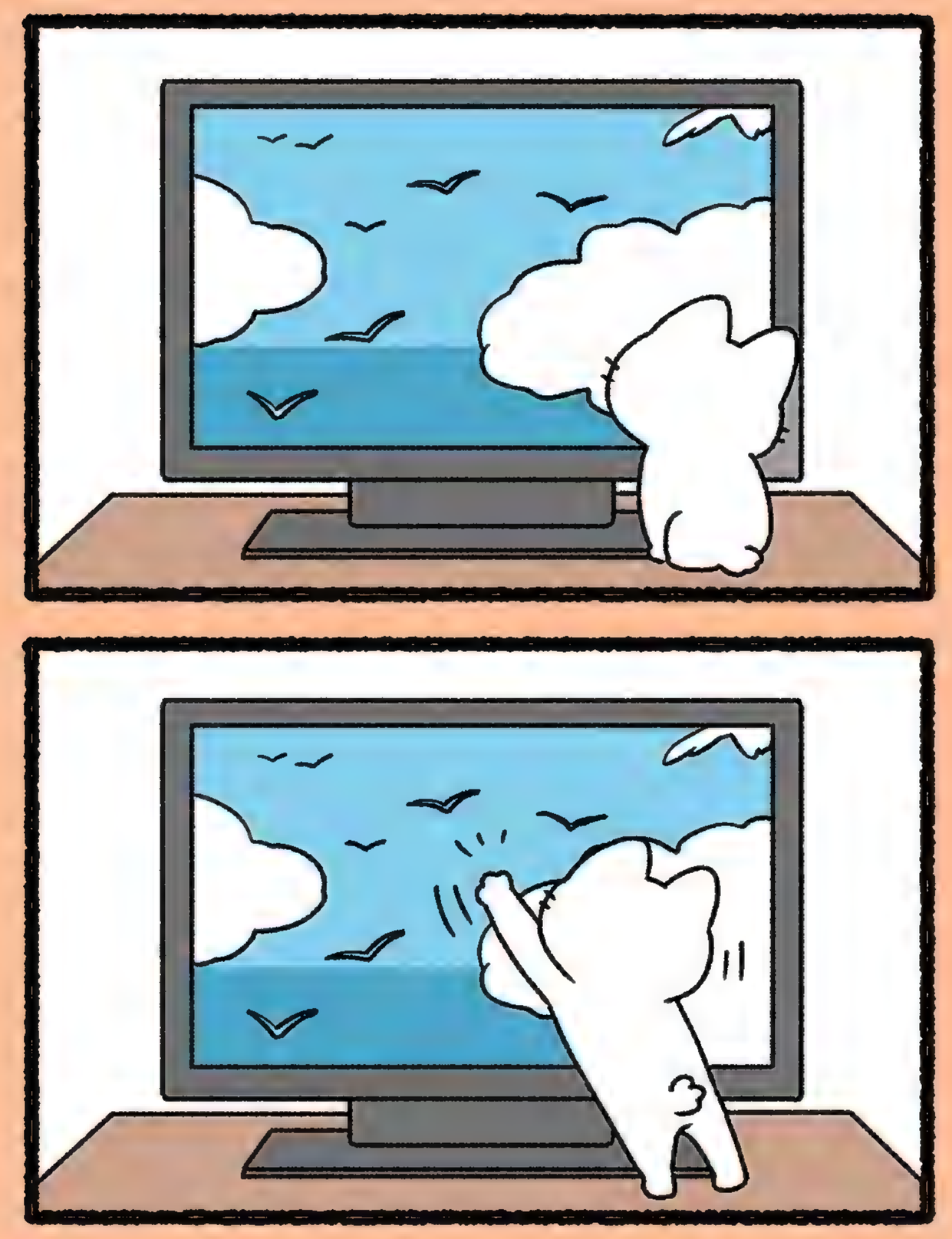


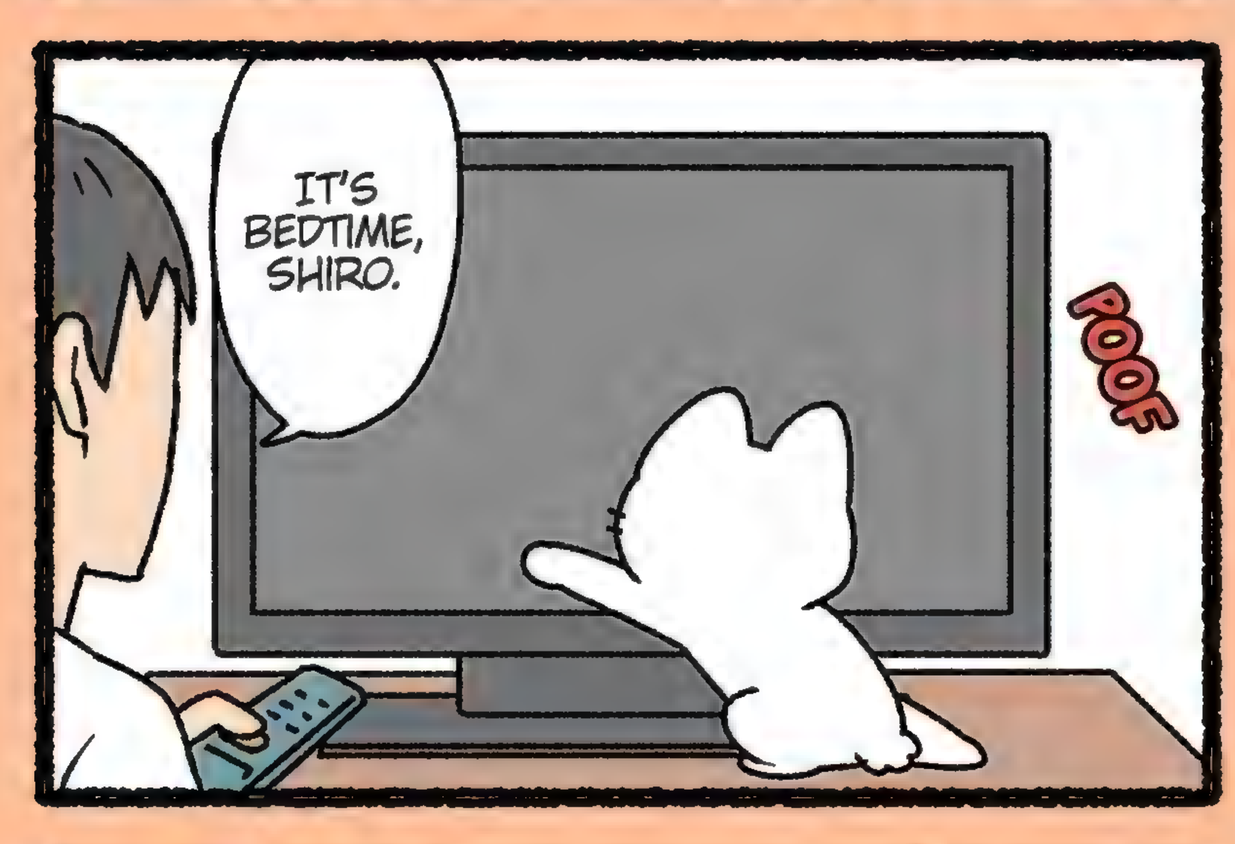


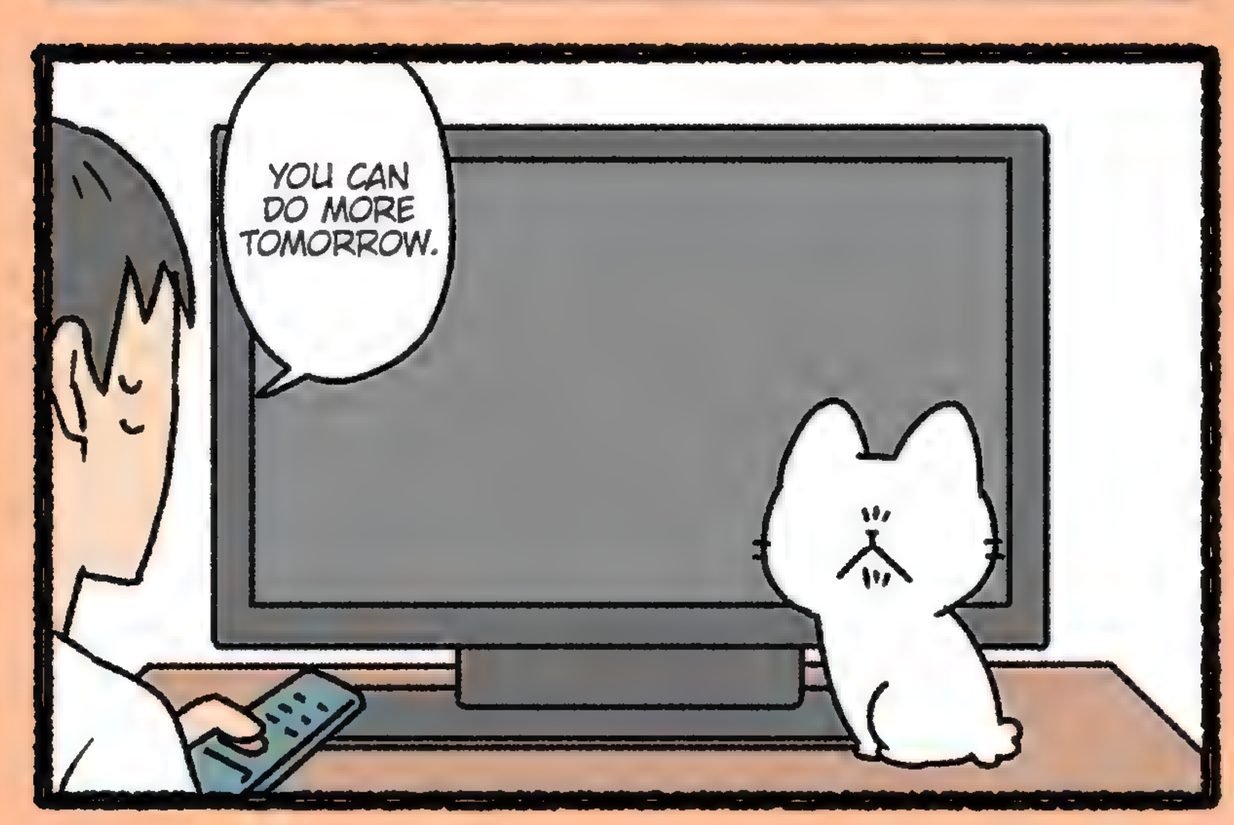

GRIN!




Huff... Wheeze...
Huff...
Wheeze...
Wheeze...



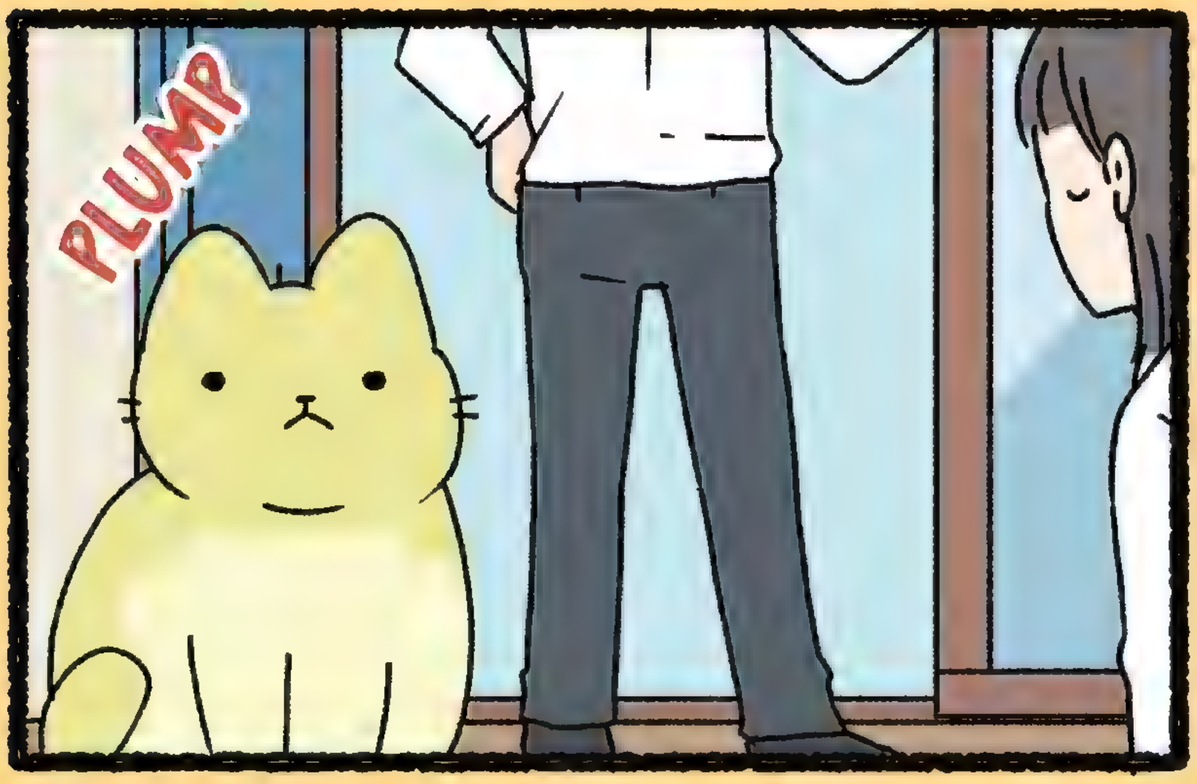

IT'S BEDTIME, SHIRO.
POOF


YOU CAN DO MORE TOMORROW.

Betobeto-san

Stealthily follows people. The person being trailed can only hear the sound of footsteps.

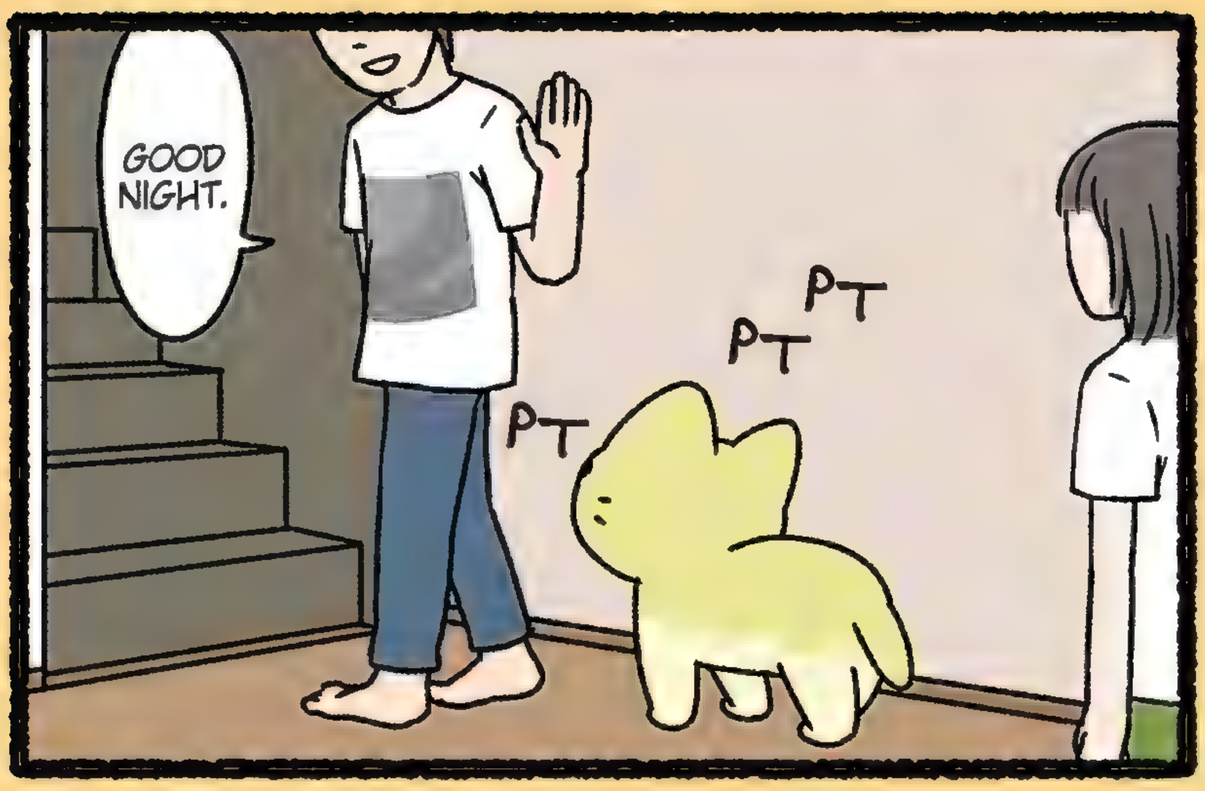






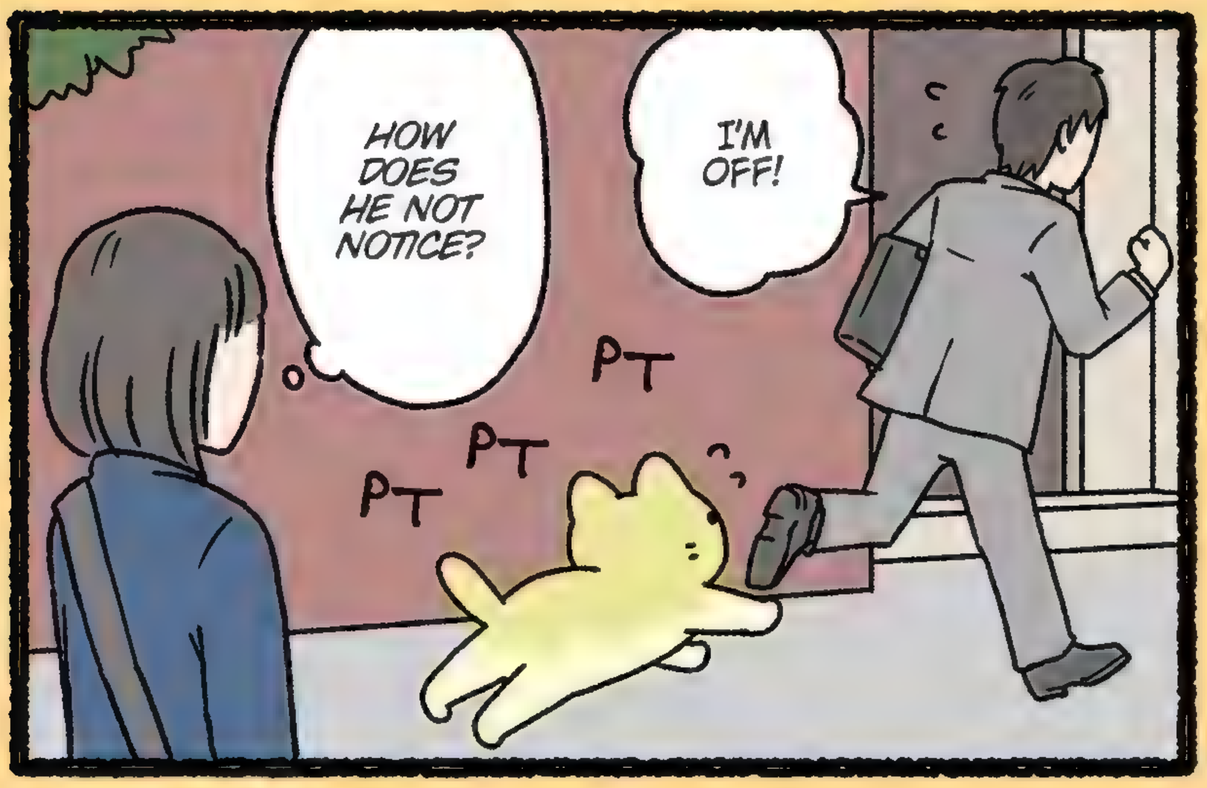





GOOD NIGHT.
PT
PT
PT




ZZZ...


HOW DOES HE NOT NOTICE?
I'M OFF!
PT
PT
PT



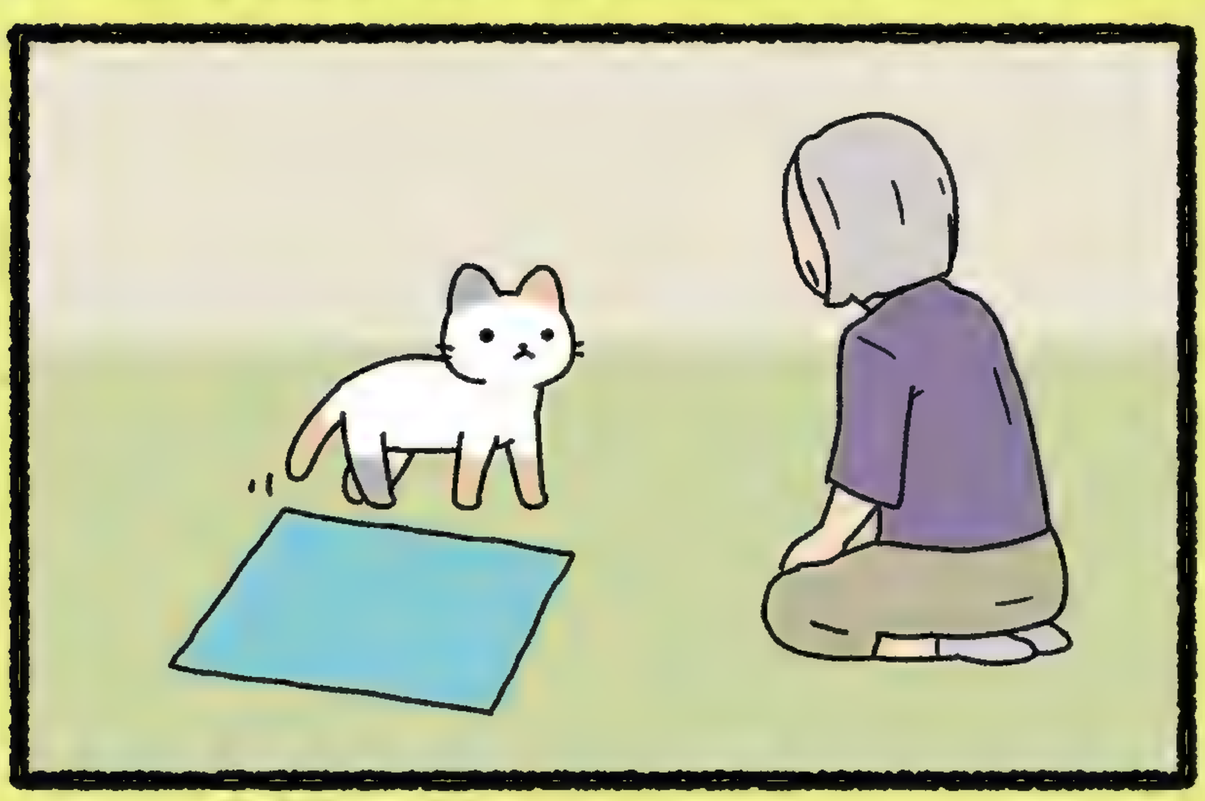
Rokurokubi

Long-neck

Does annoying things like extending its neck to come when you call it or to eat its food. You could say it's a pain in the neck.

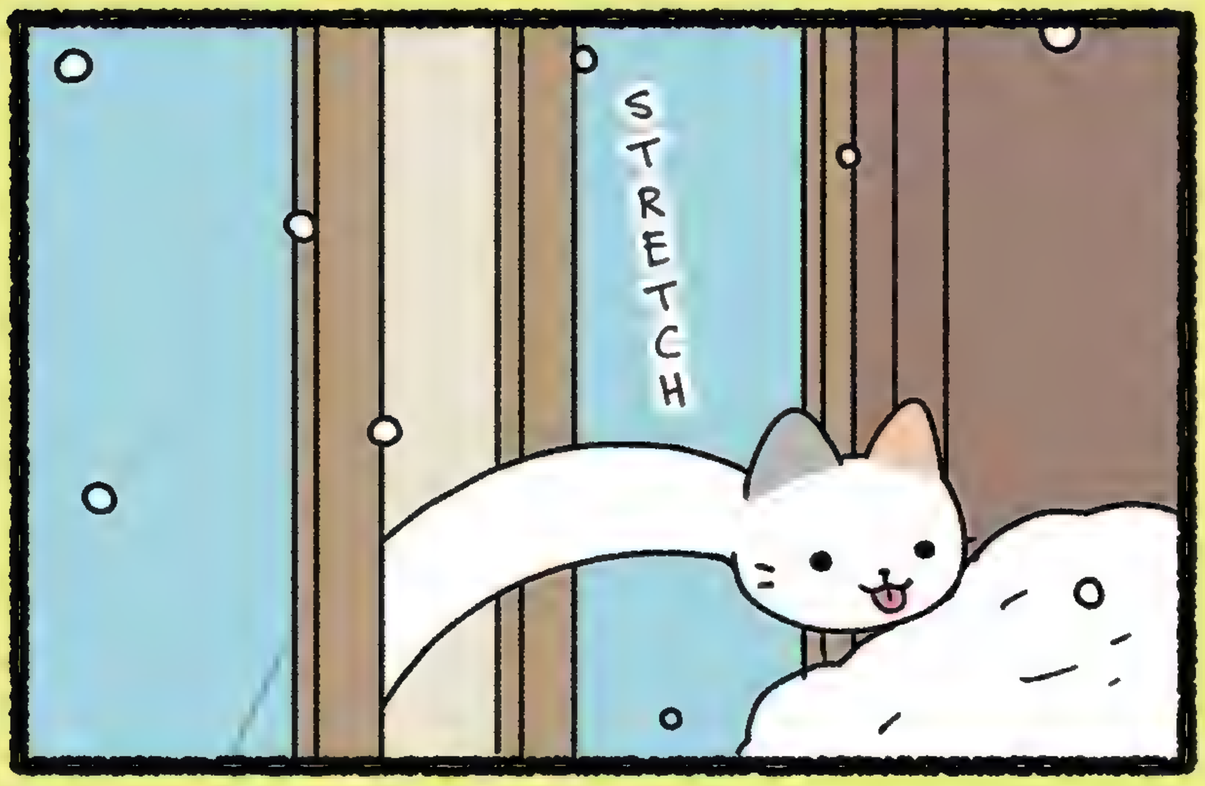


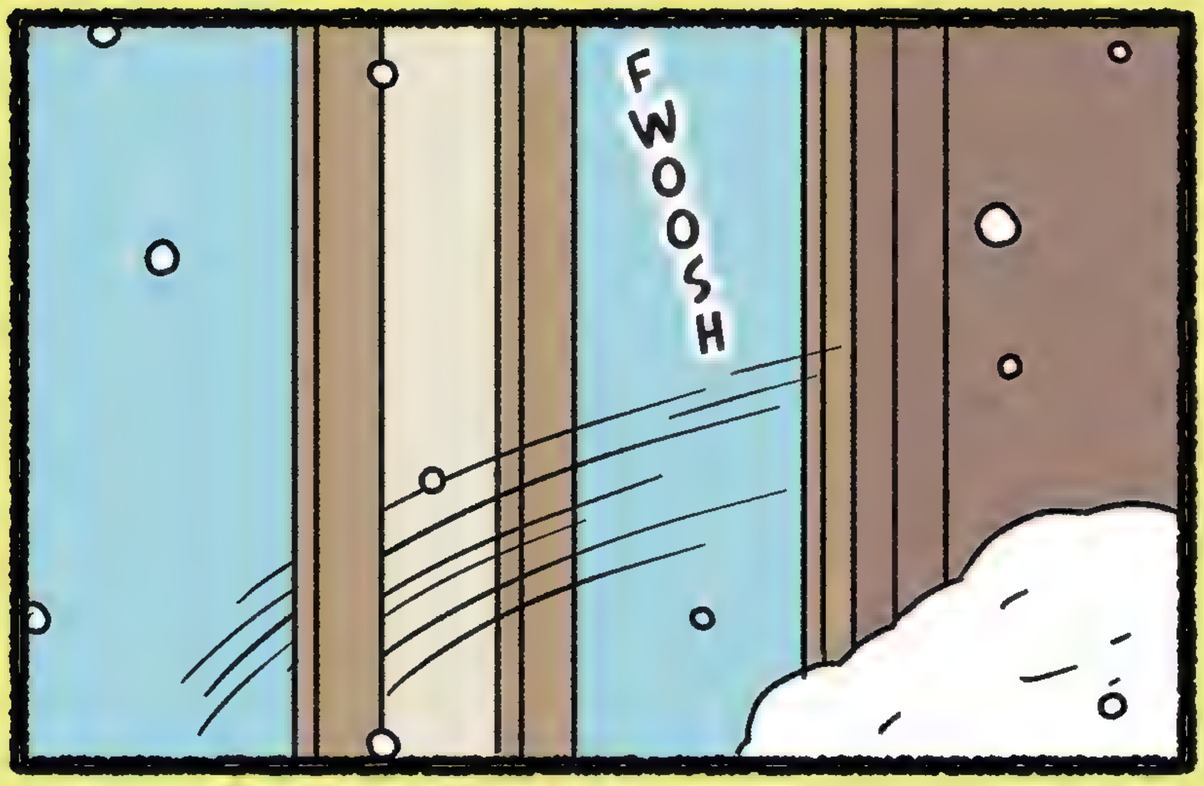

IT SAYS IT'S A COOLING MAT.
Cooling Mat for Pets



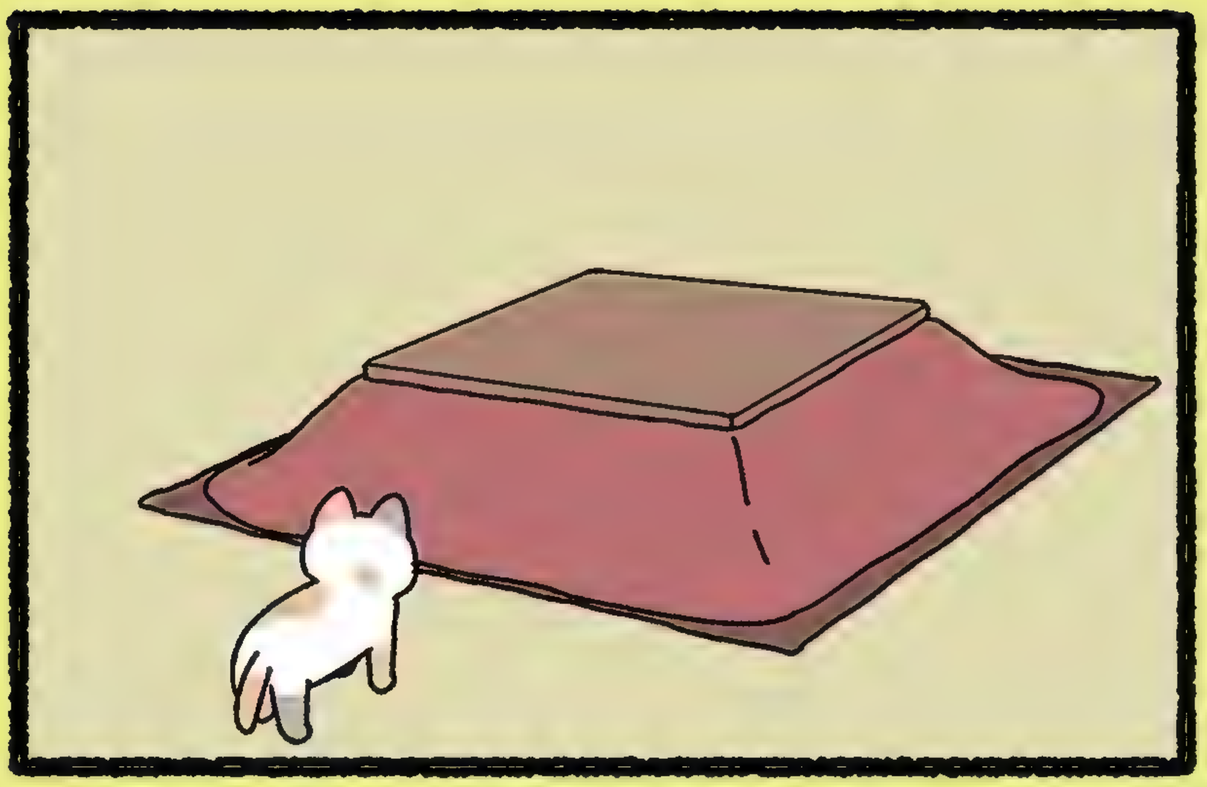

THE MAT FEELS NICE, YOU KNOW?

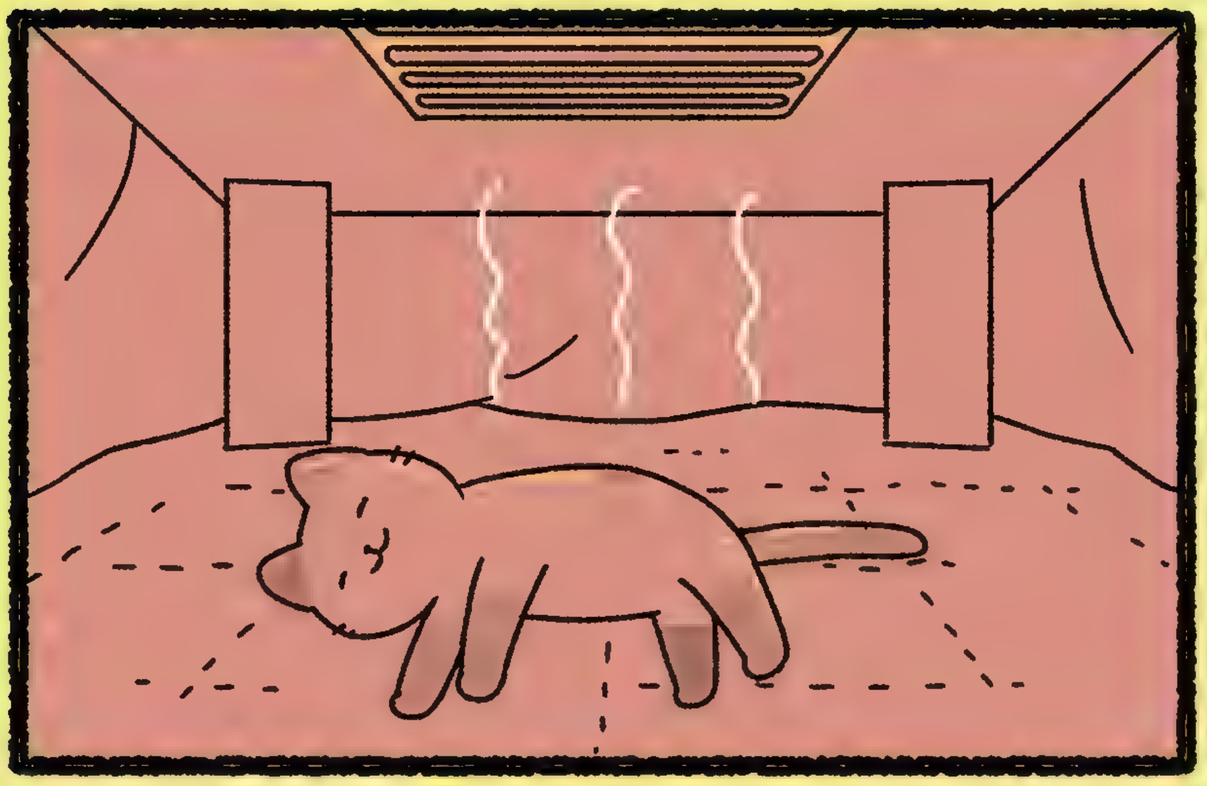

AS A KITTEN.
TMP TMP TMP...
BONK!
TMP
TMP
TMP...
NOW.
BONK!

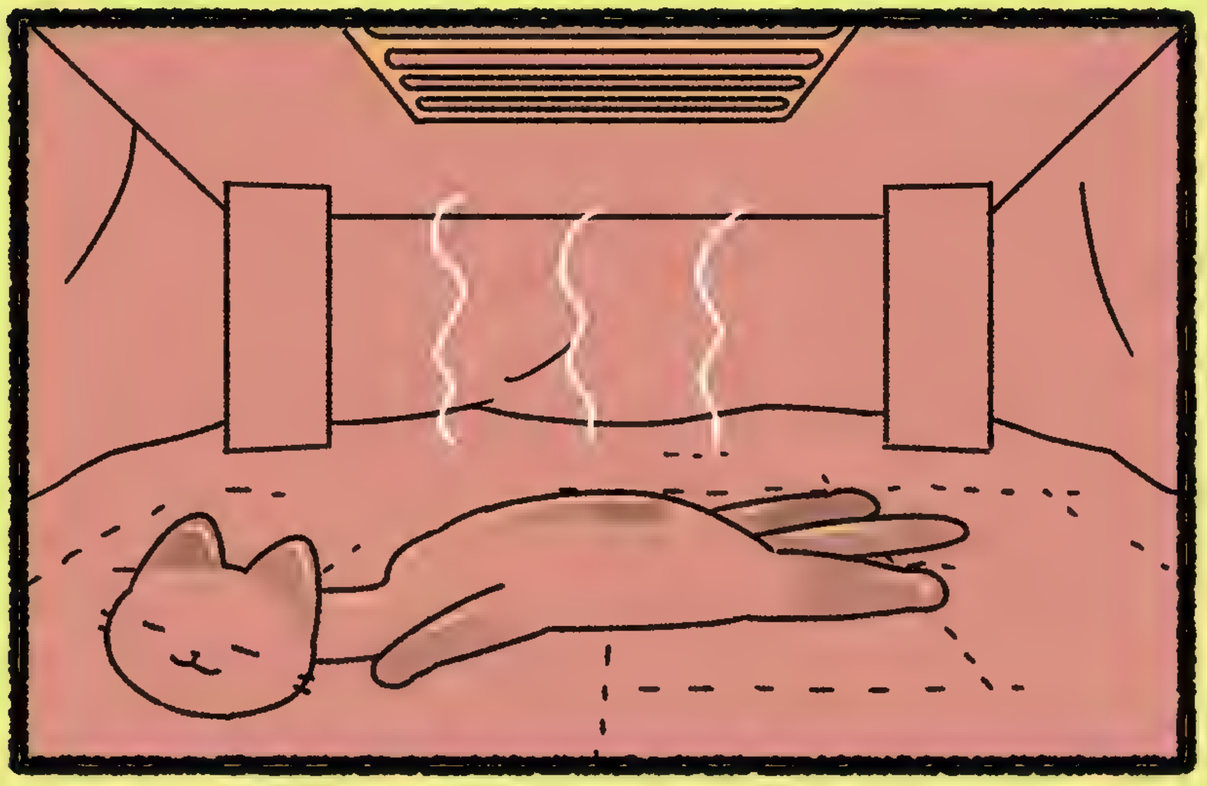

STRETCH


FWOOSH


YOU DO THAT EVERY YEAR, HUH?





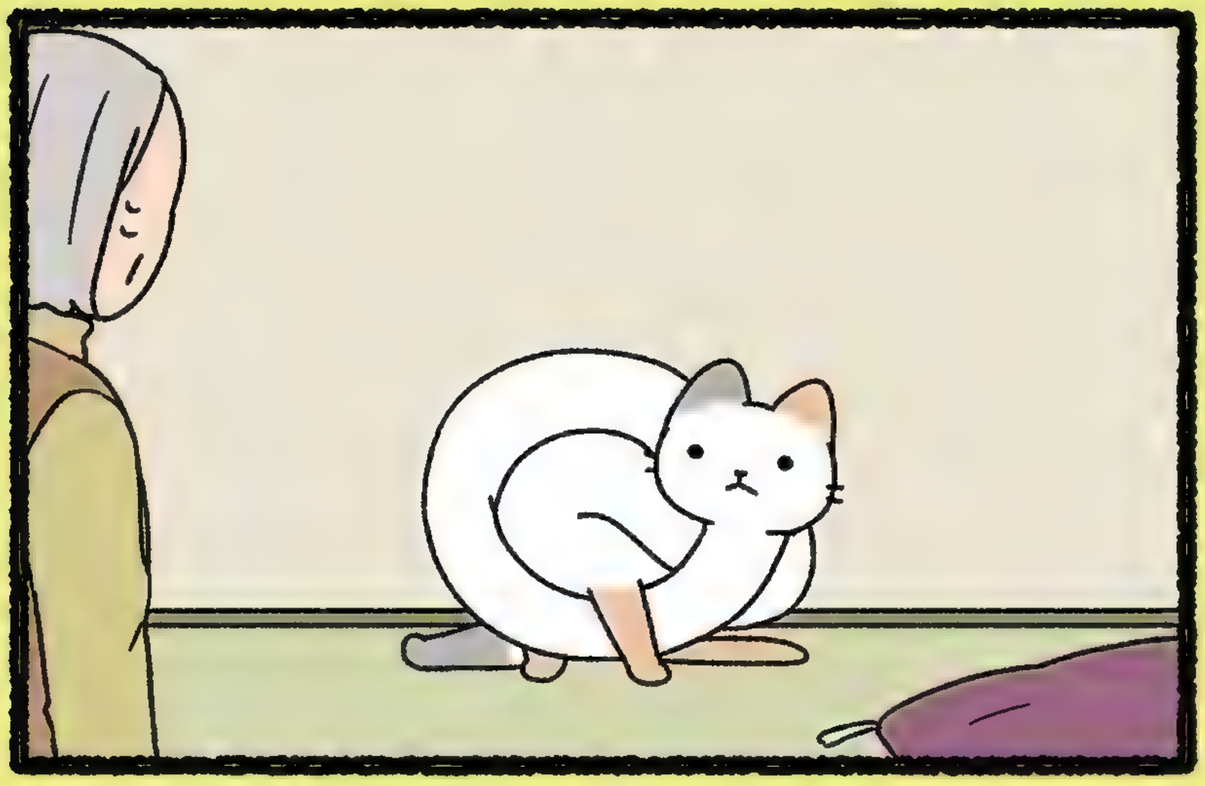


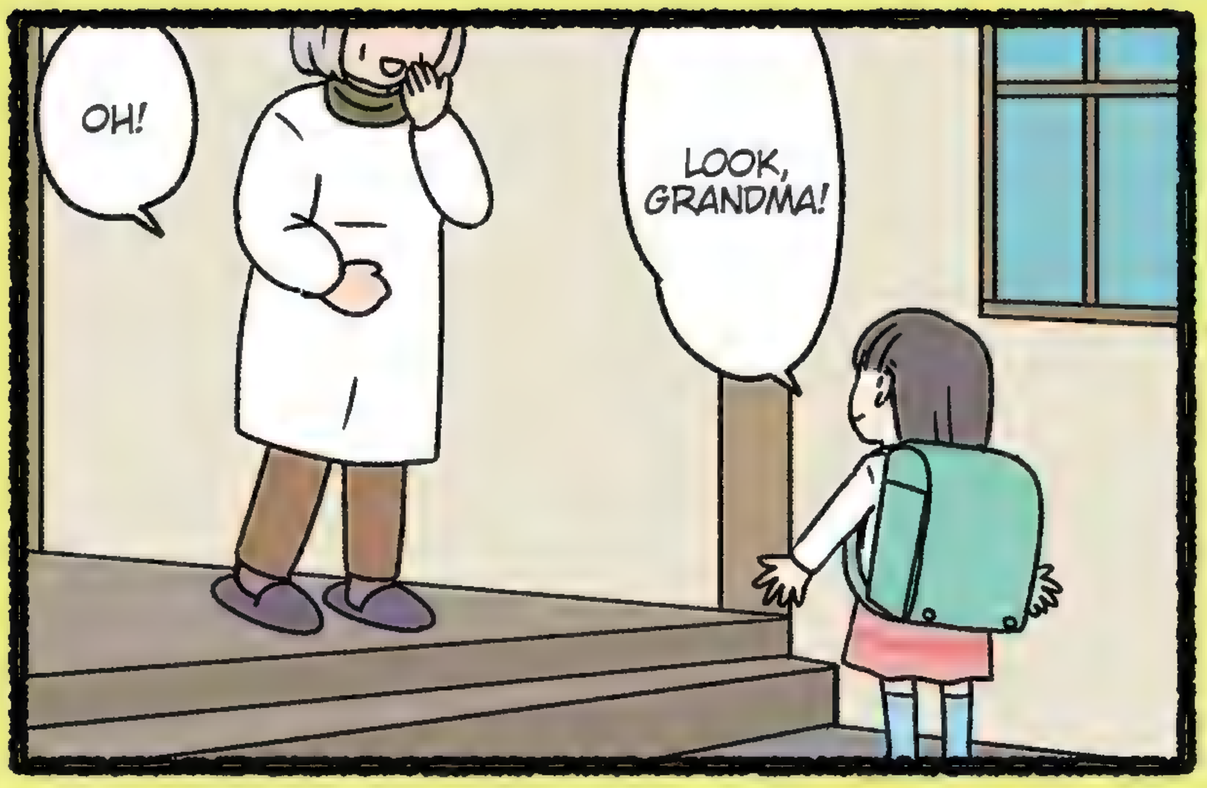
TAMA!



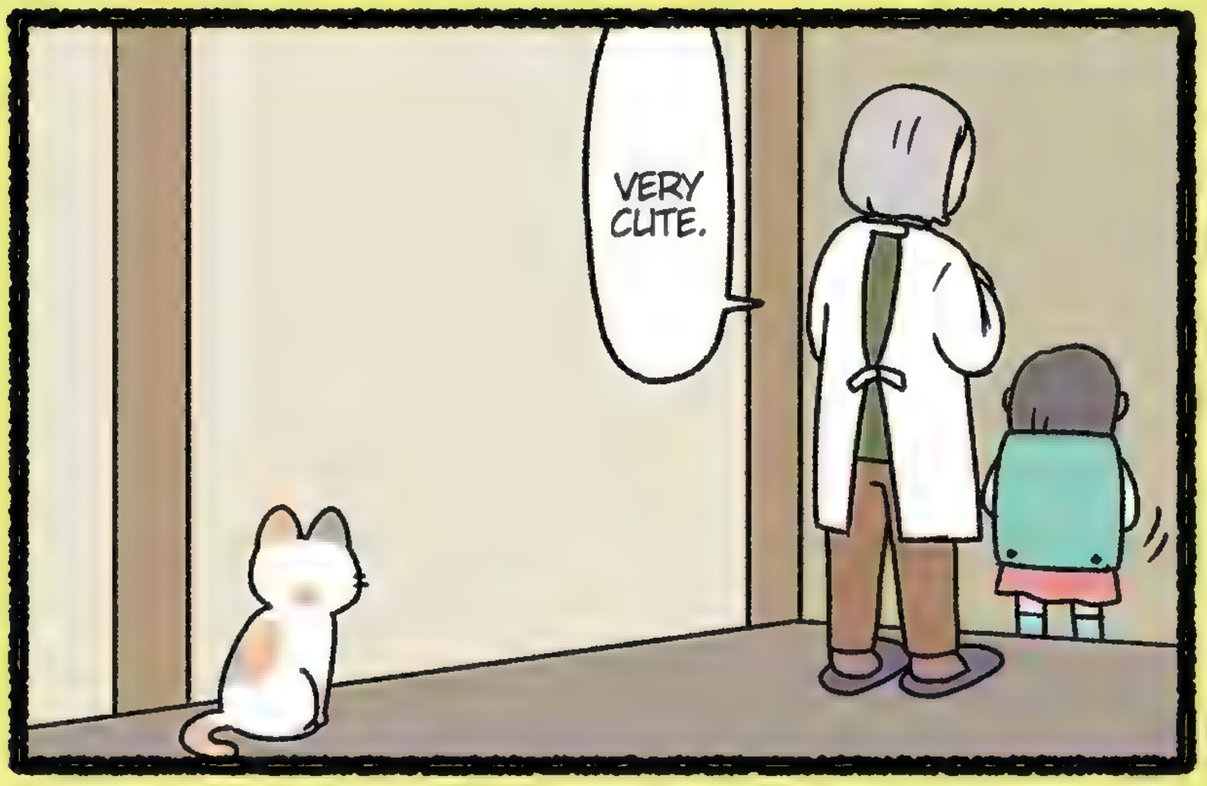


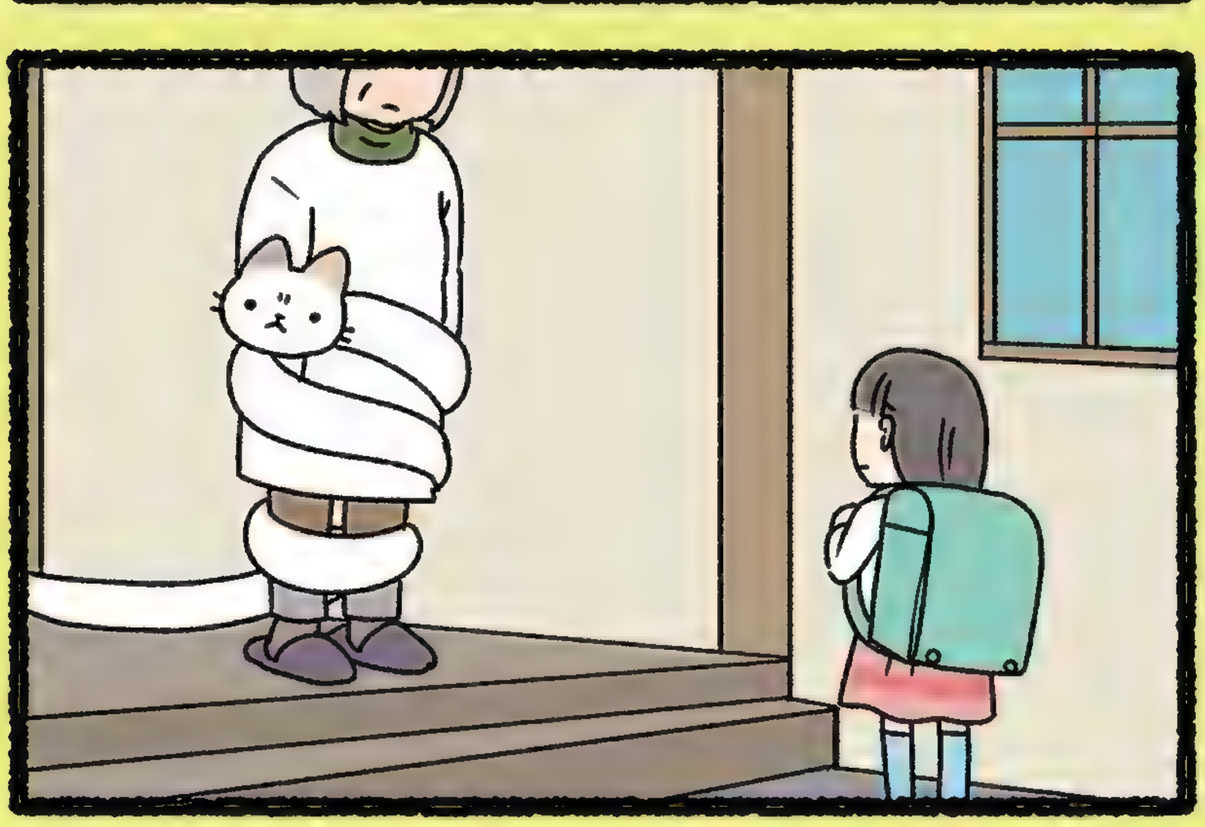





OH!
LOOK, GRANDMA!


IT LOOKS GREAT ON YOU.


VERY CUTE.




IT'S DINNER-TIME, TAMA.

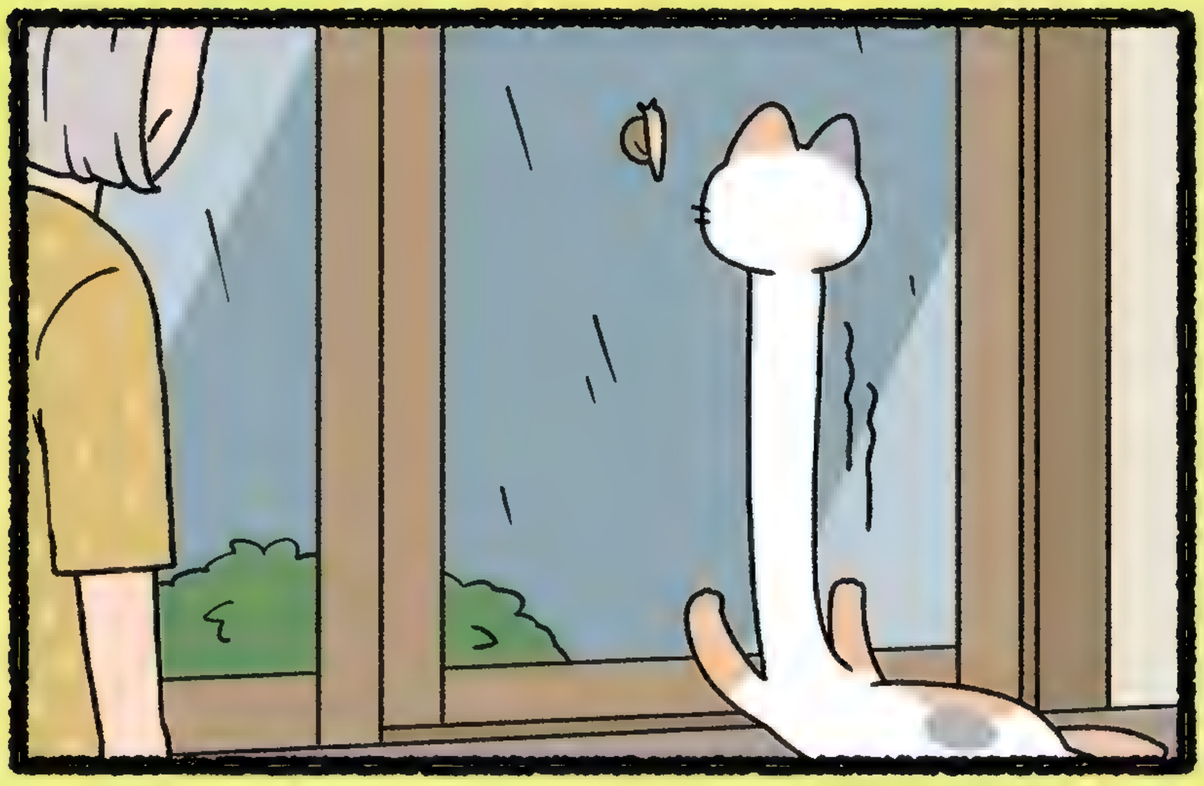

GRANDMA WILL BE HOME SOON, OKAY?

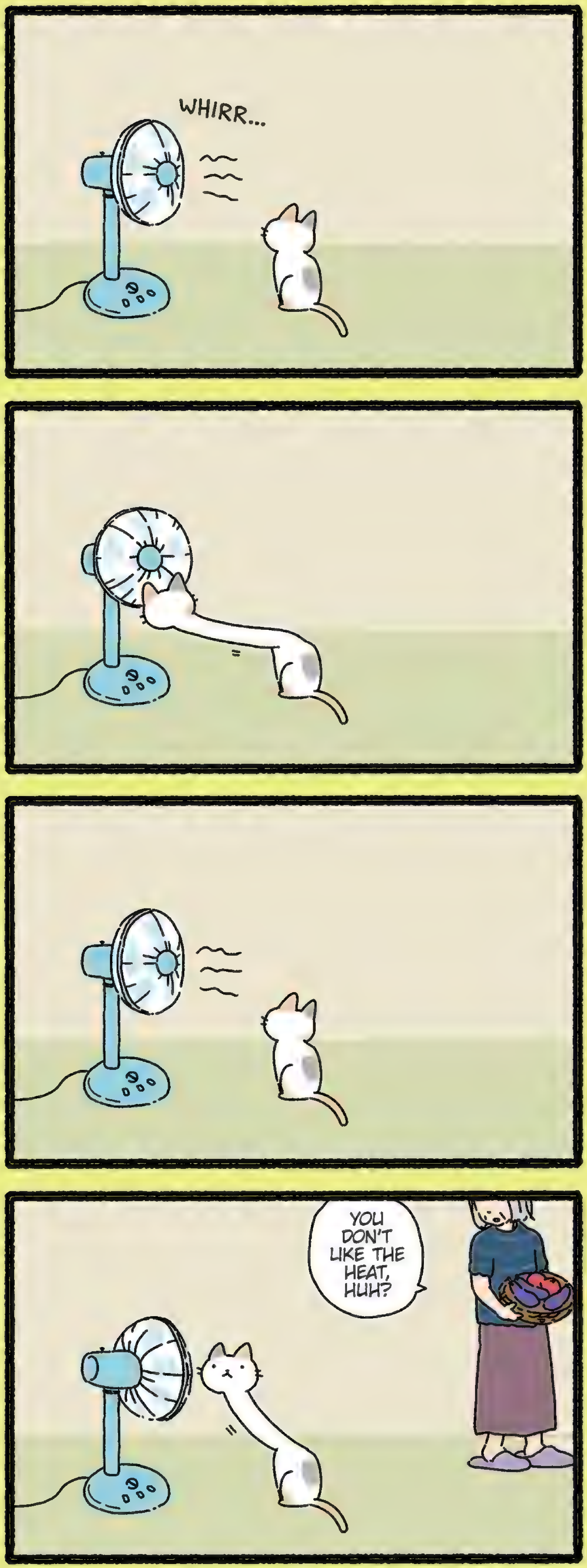

SHE ONLY WENT ON A DAY TRIP...





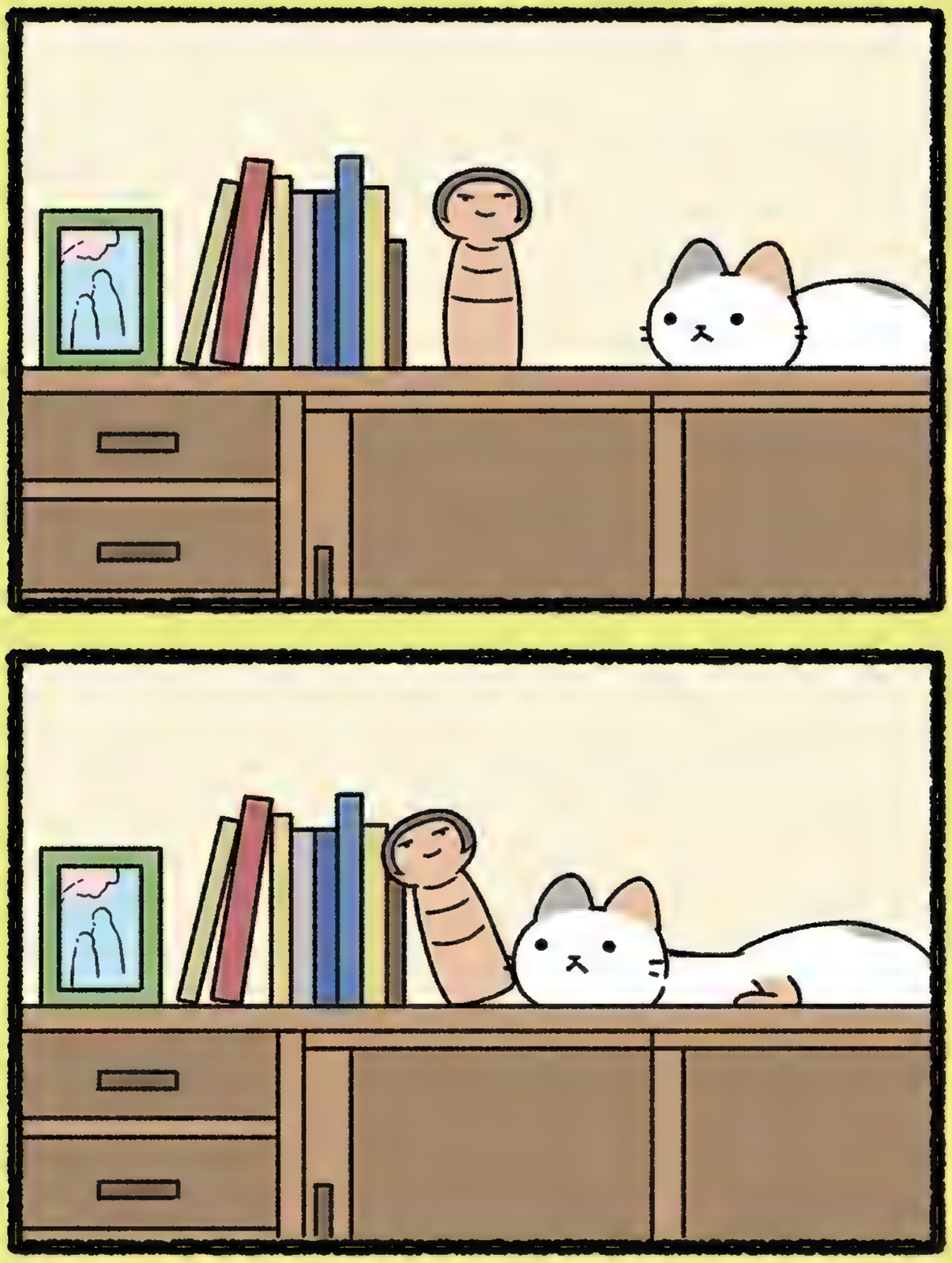





WHIRR...
YOU DON'T LIKE THE HEAT, HUH?

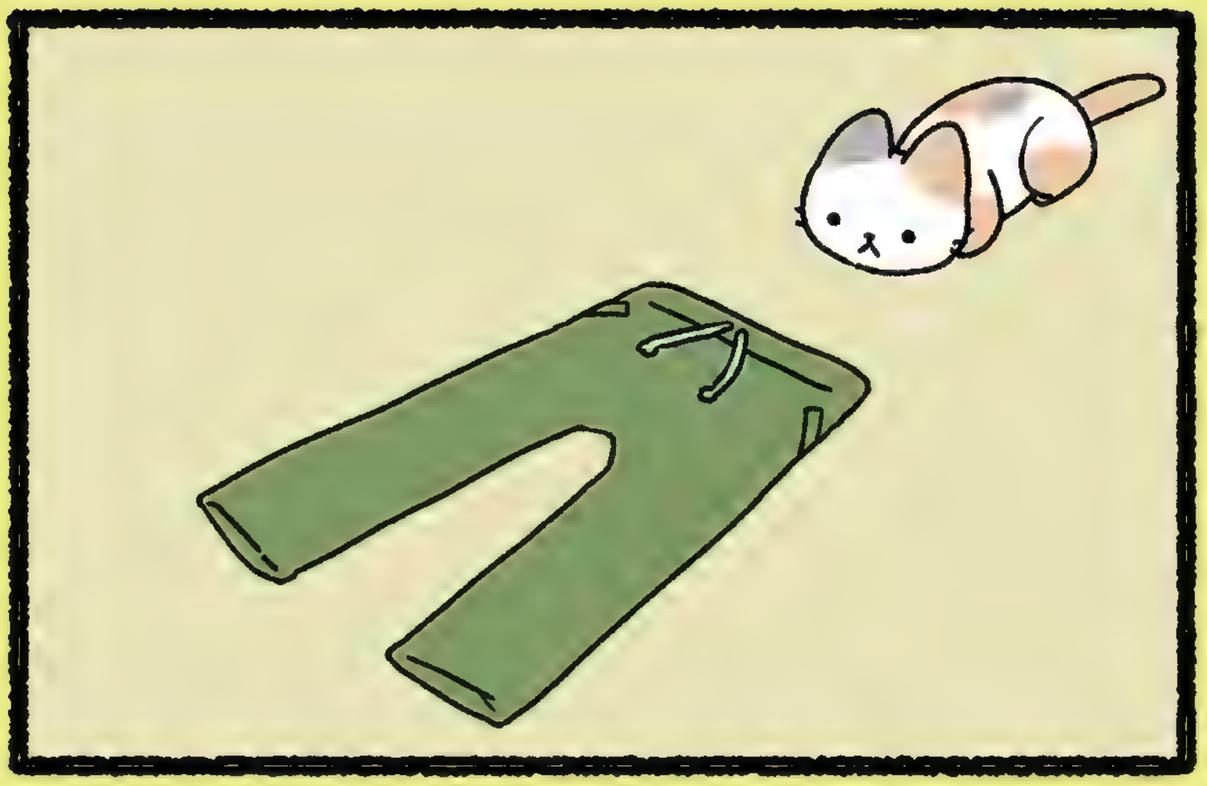


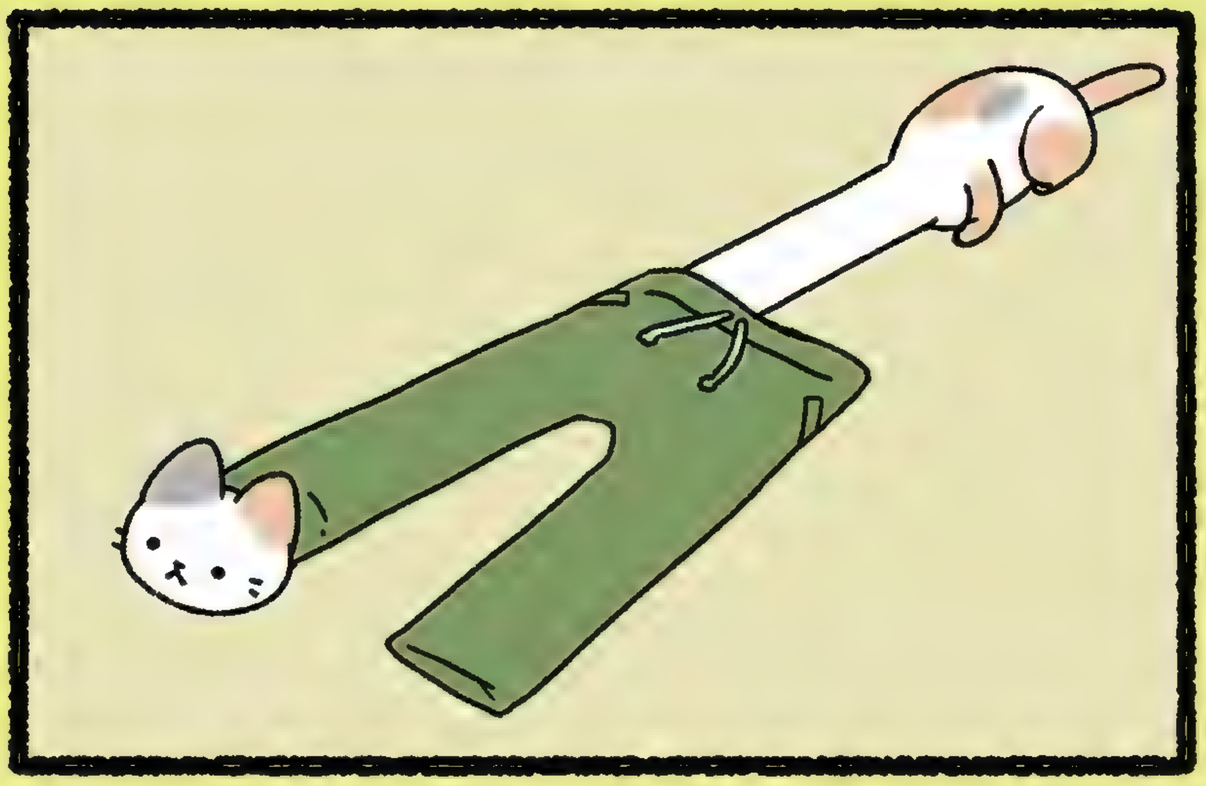
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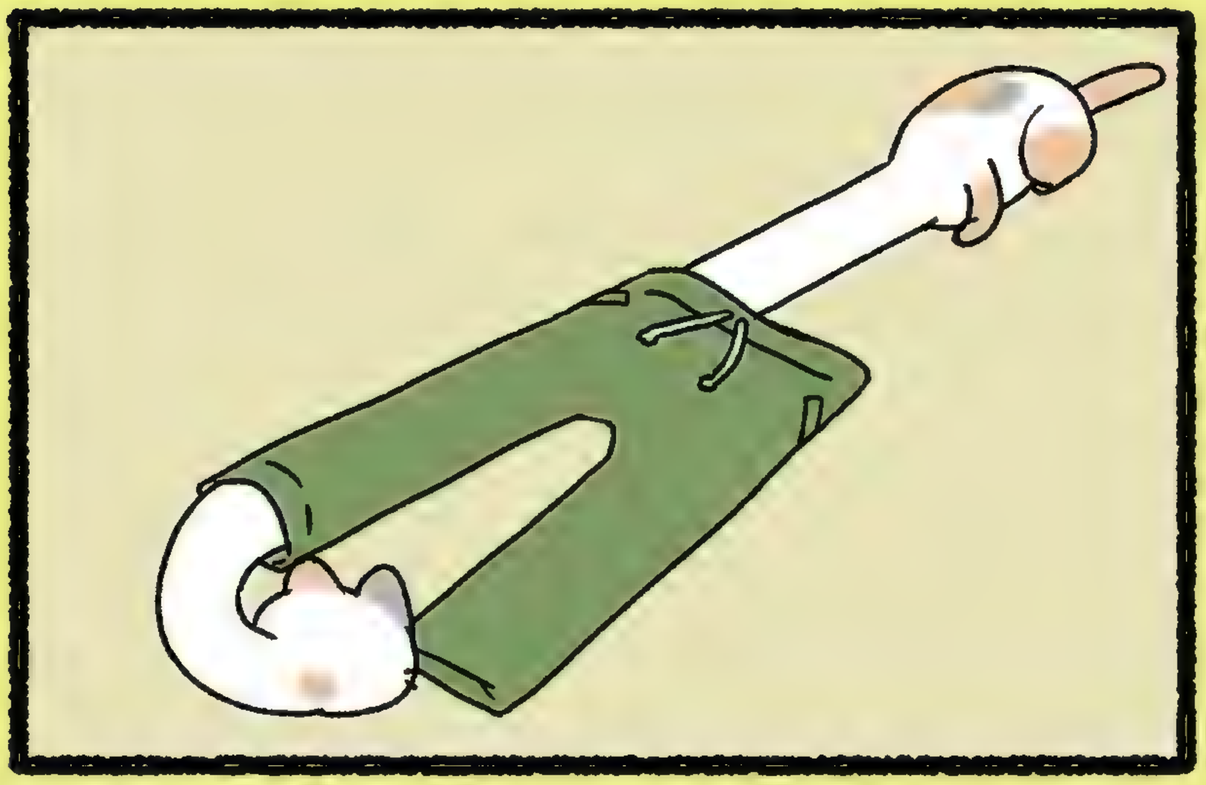


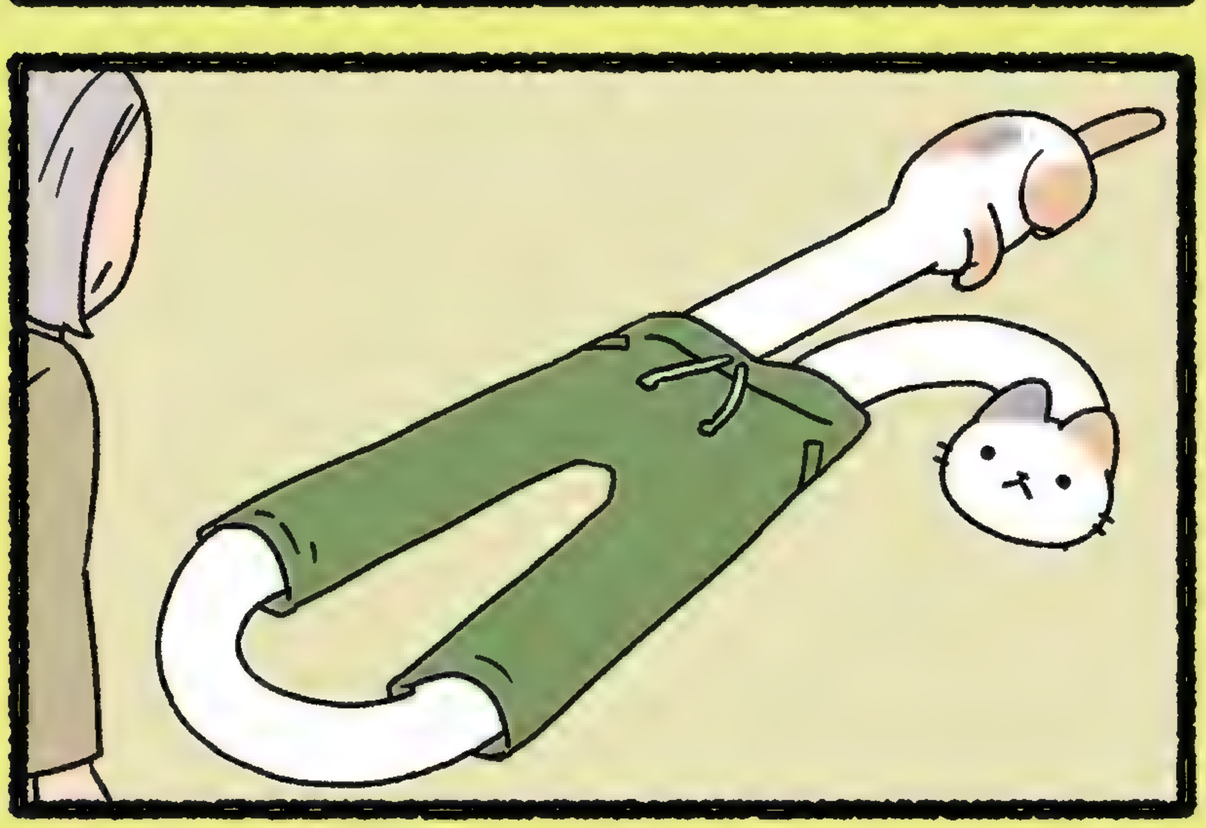
SHOVE...

TAMA!





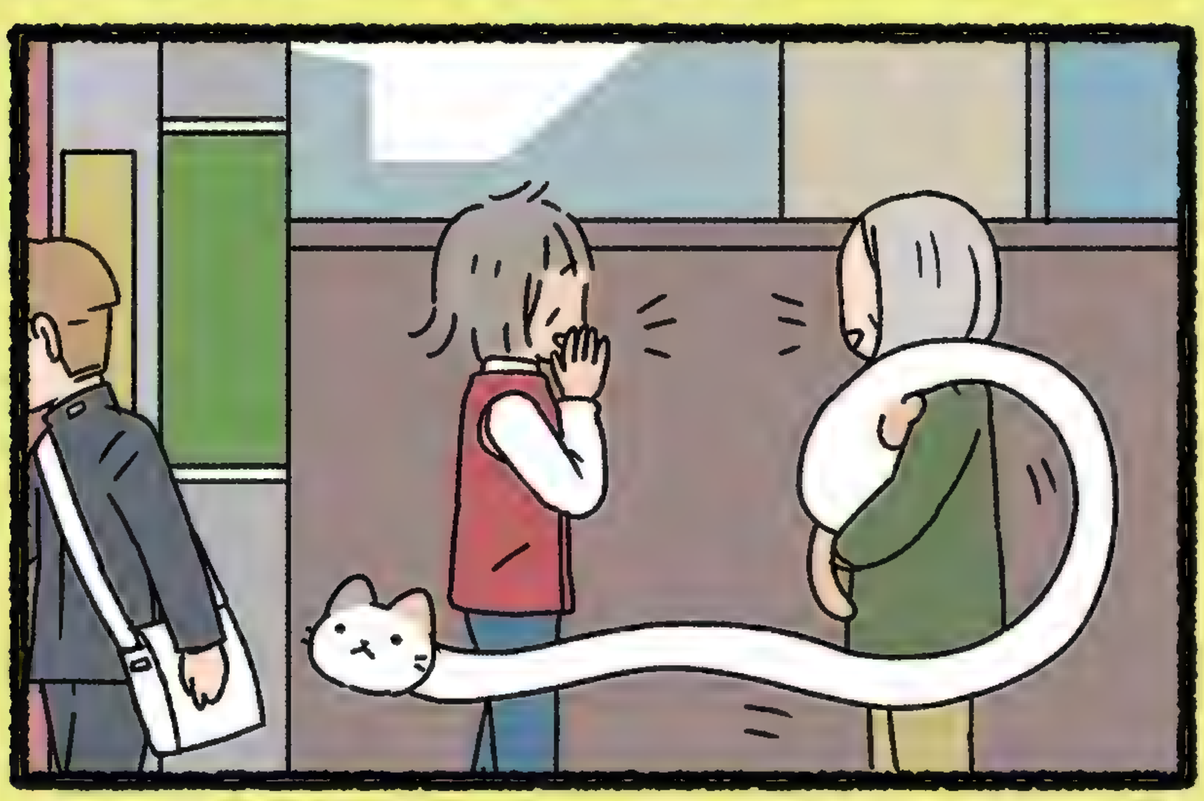




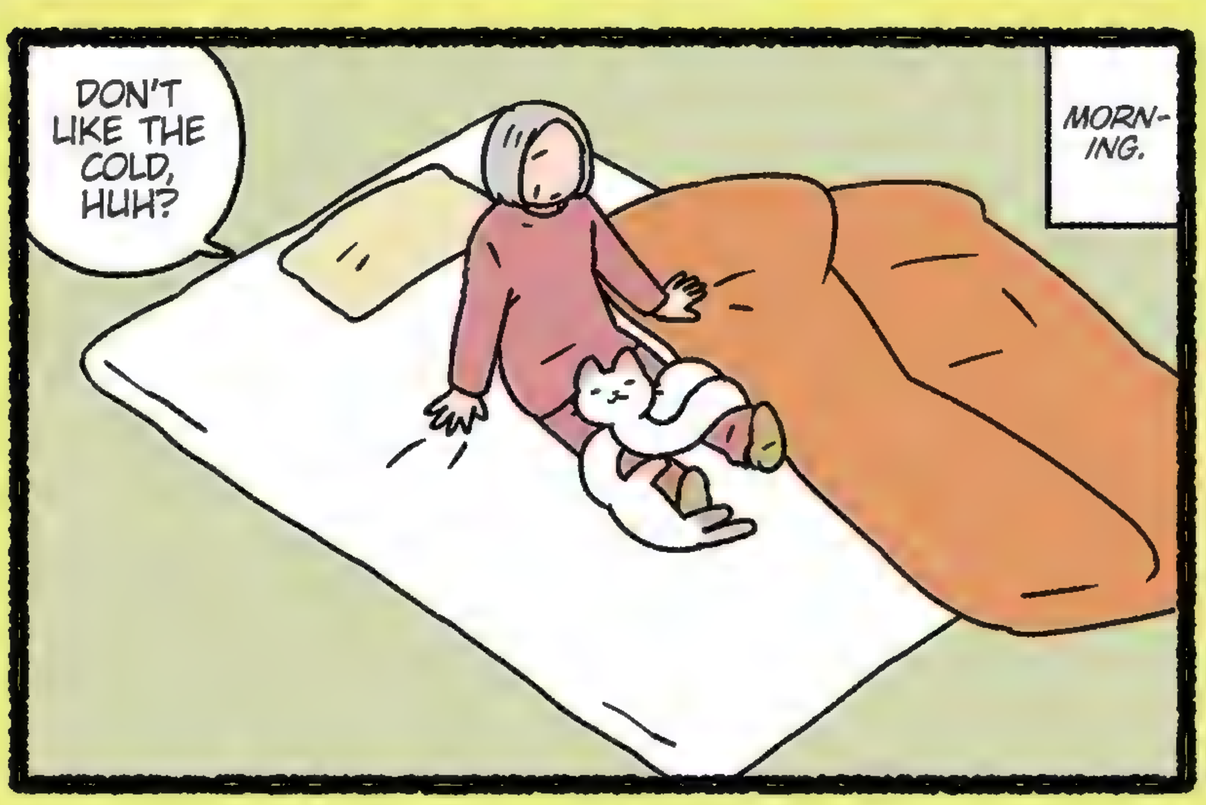

HI, GRAND-MA!
WE HAPPENED TO BE NEARBY.
WE BROUGHT YOU SOME-THING!
OH, YOU'RE AWAKE, TAMA?
SWF!


LATER, TAMA. I'M BUSY.
COMING, COMING.
RIIING RIIING




TAMA!



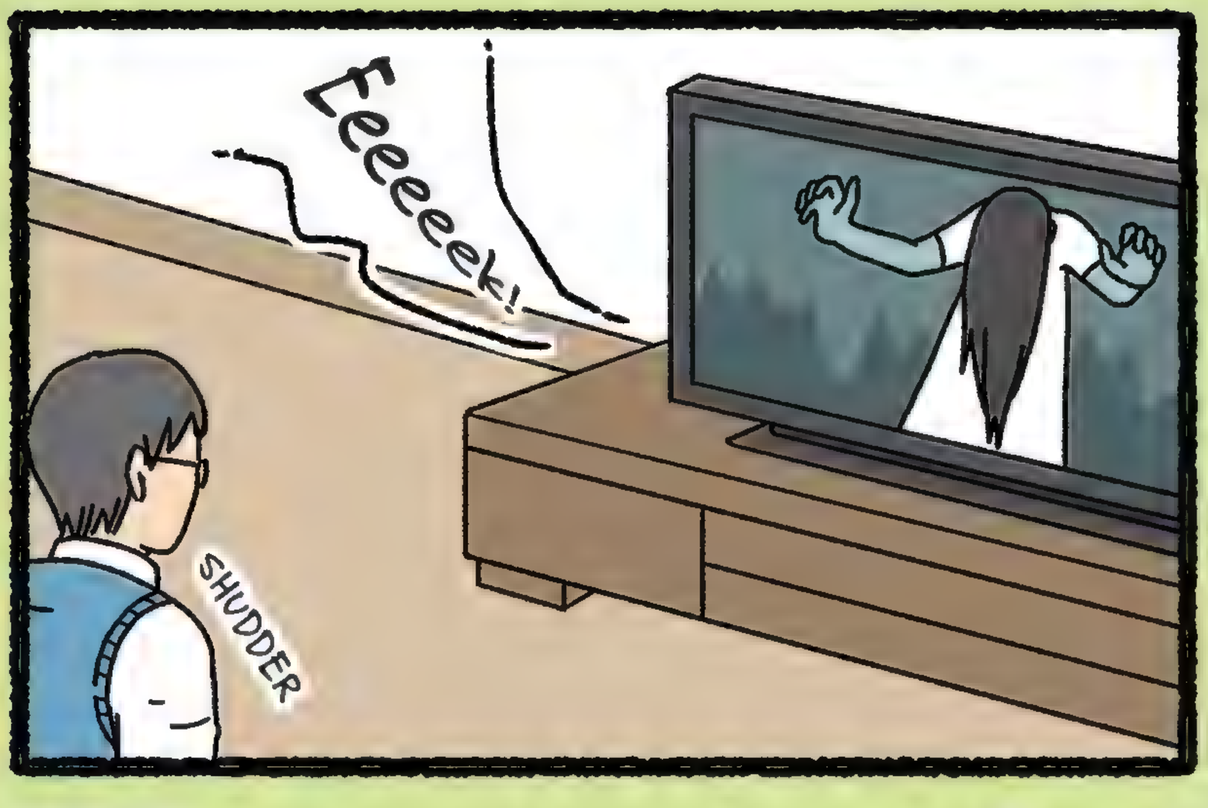

DON'T LIKE THE COLD, HUH?
MORN-ING.

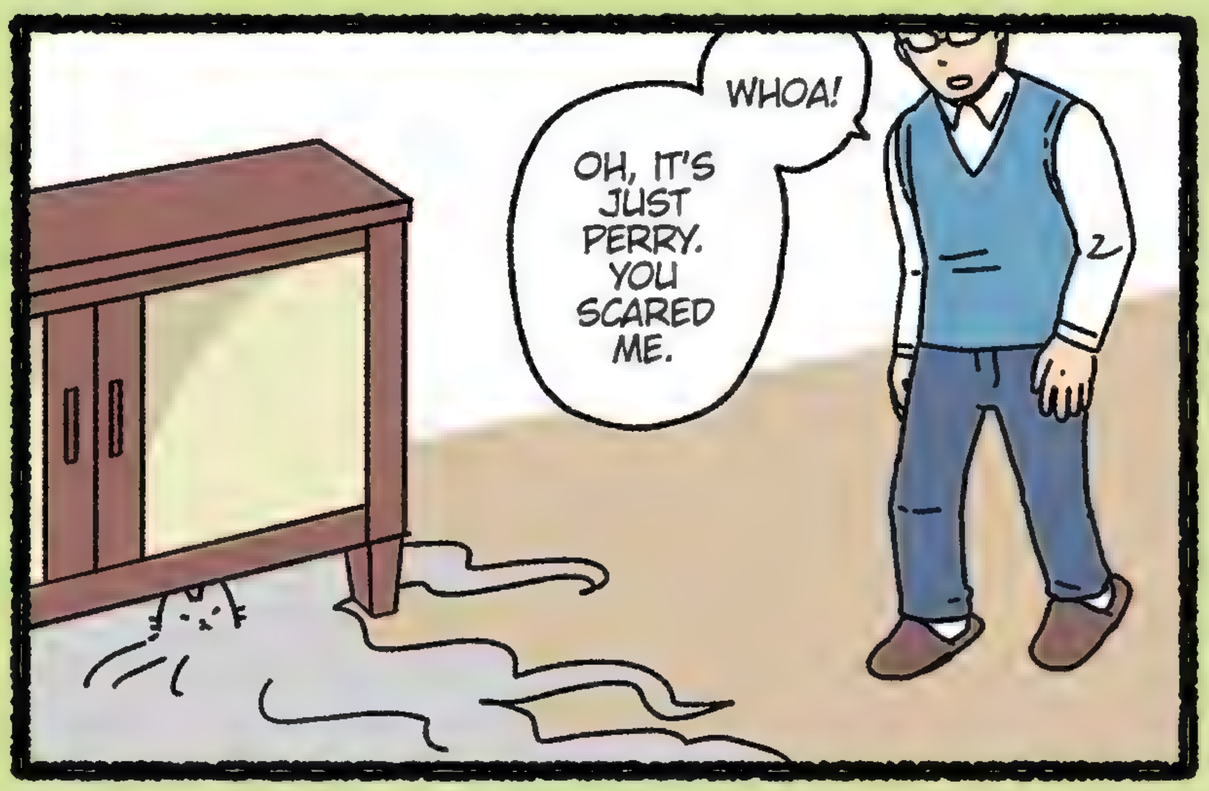


Keukegen

Fluffball

Usually hides from visitors so guests rarely get to see it. Also tends to cling to its owner.


Eeeeeek!
SHUDDER


WHOA!
OH, IT'S JUST PERRY. YOU SCARED ME.


WHOA!
EEK!


IS HE DOING IT ON PURPOSE?


RUSTLE


I CAN'T GET OUT...

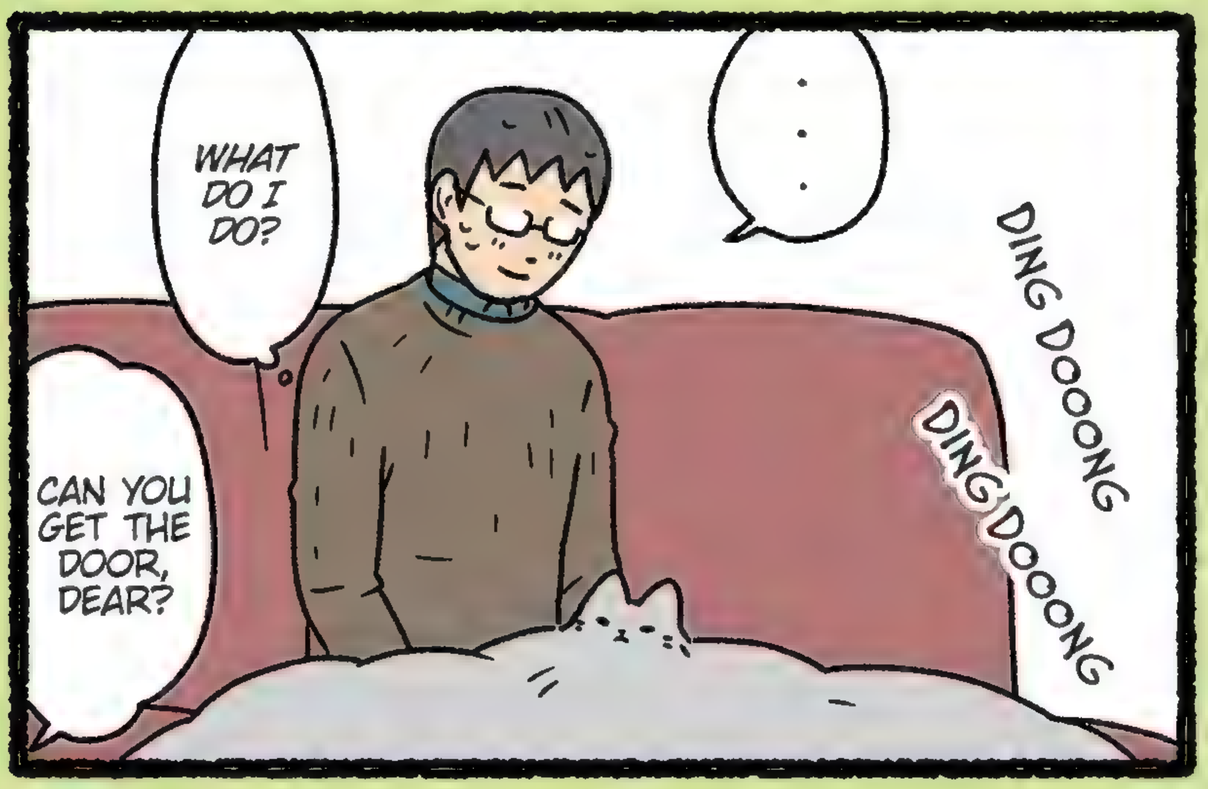

I'M HOME!


I CAN'T GET IN...
HI DAD!

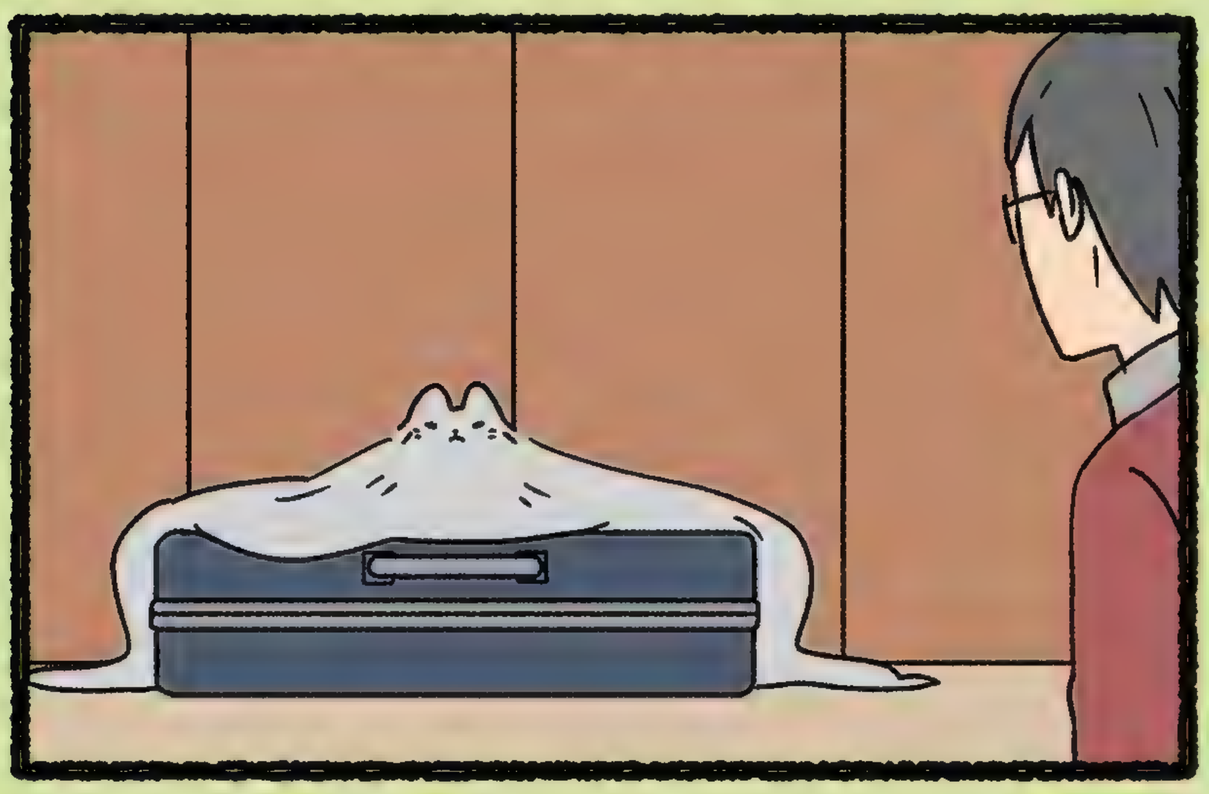

IT'S WARM AND COZY!
THAT LOOKS NICE.


IT'S GETTING A BIT TOO HOT NOW.


AND I WANT TO GO TO THE BATH-ROOM...


WHAT DO I DO?
CAN YOU GET THE DOOR, DEAR?
. . .
DING DOOONG
DING DOOONG


I NEED TO PACK FOR MY BUSINESS TRIP.




PERRY!
YOU DON'T WANT ME TO GO?

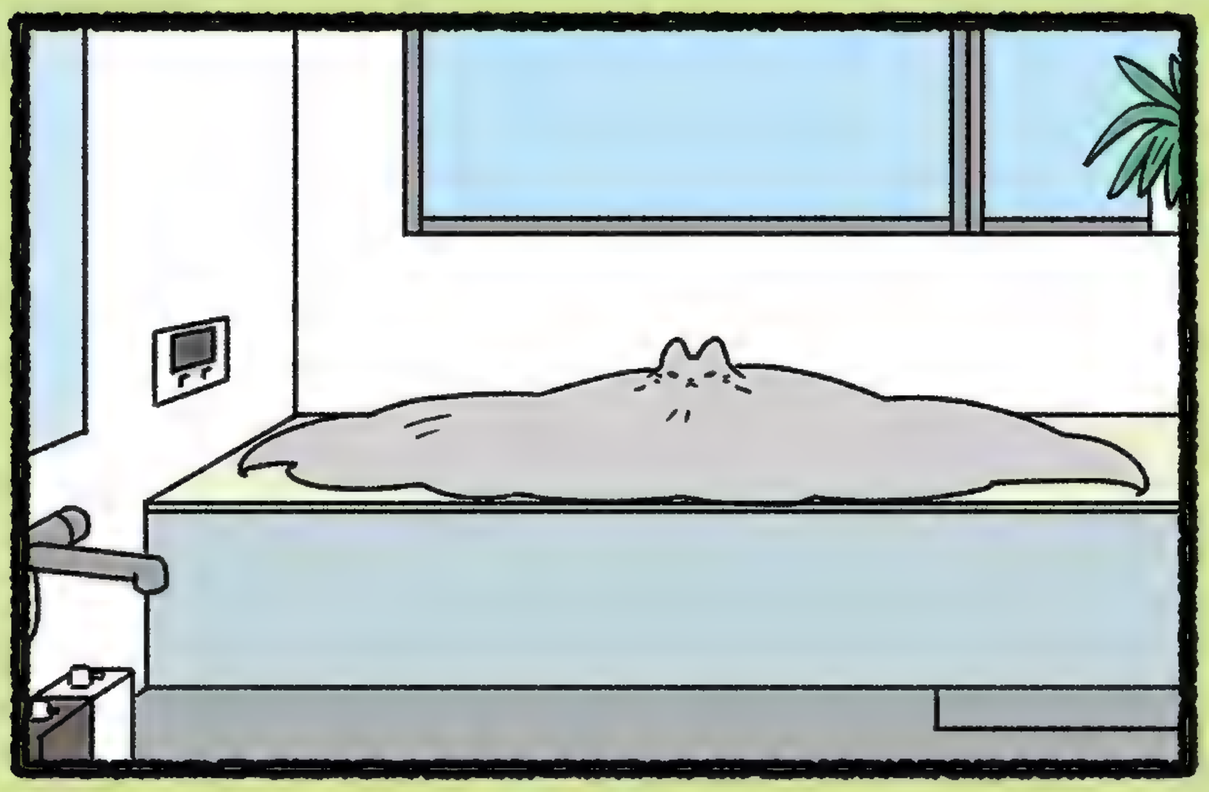



I'M HOME.






THIS ONE IS THE BRUSHED-OUT HAIR.
. . .






HE REALLY KNOWS WHERE THE COOLEST SPOTS ARE.


SO WHY DOES HE SLEEP HERE?
STIFLE
STIFLE




DID YOU GET STUCK UP THERE?
Ha ha ha...


WHOOSH

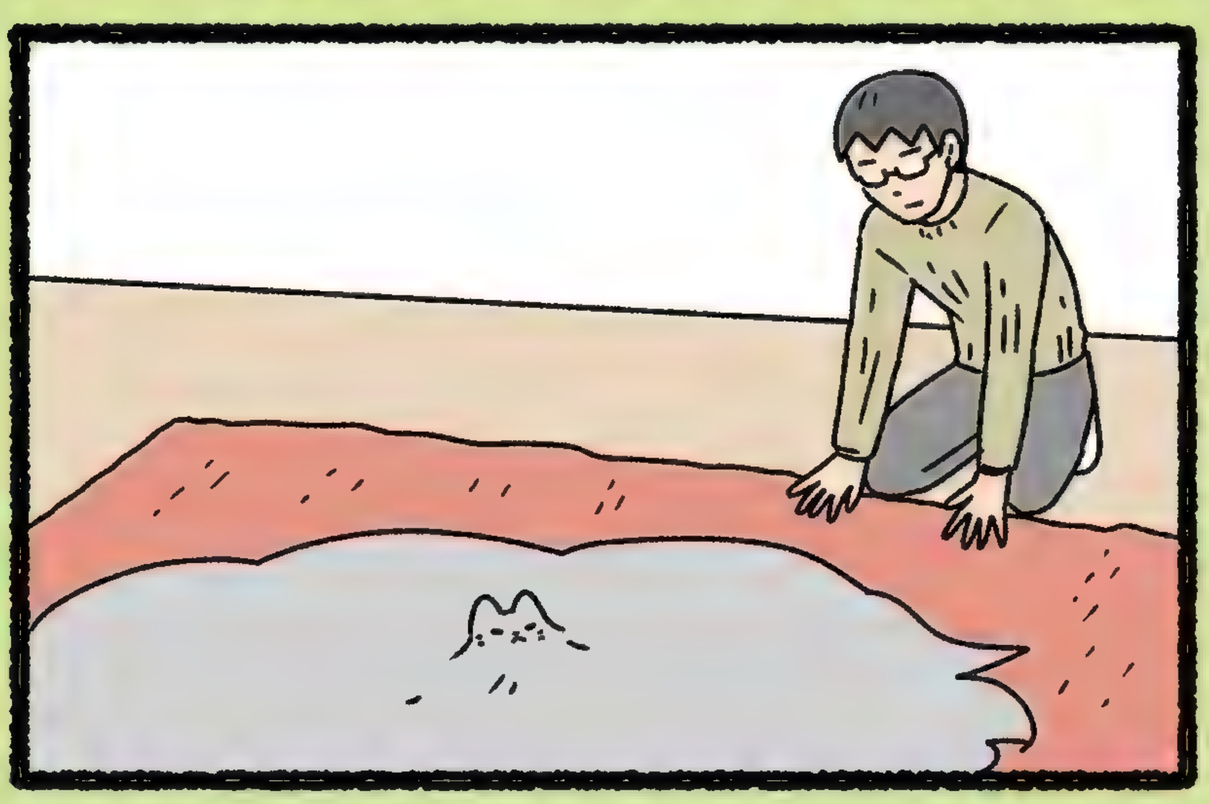

DAD?


SHUFFLE...

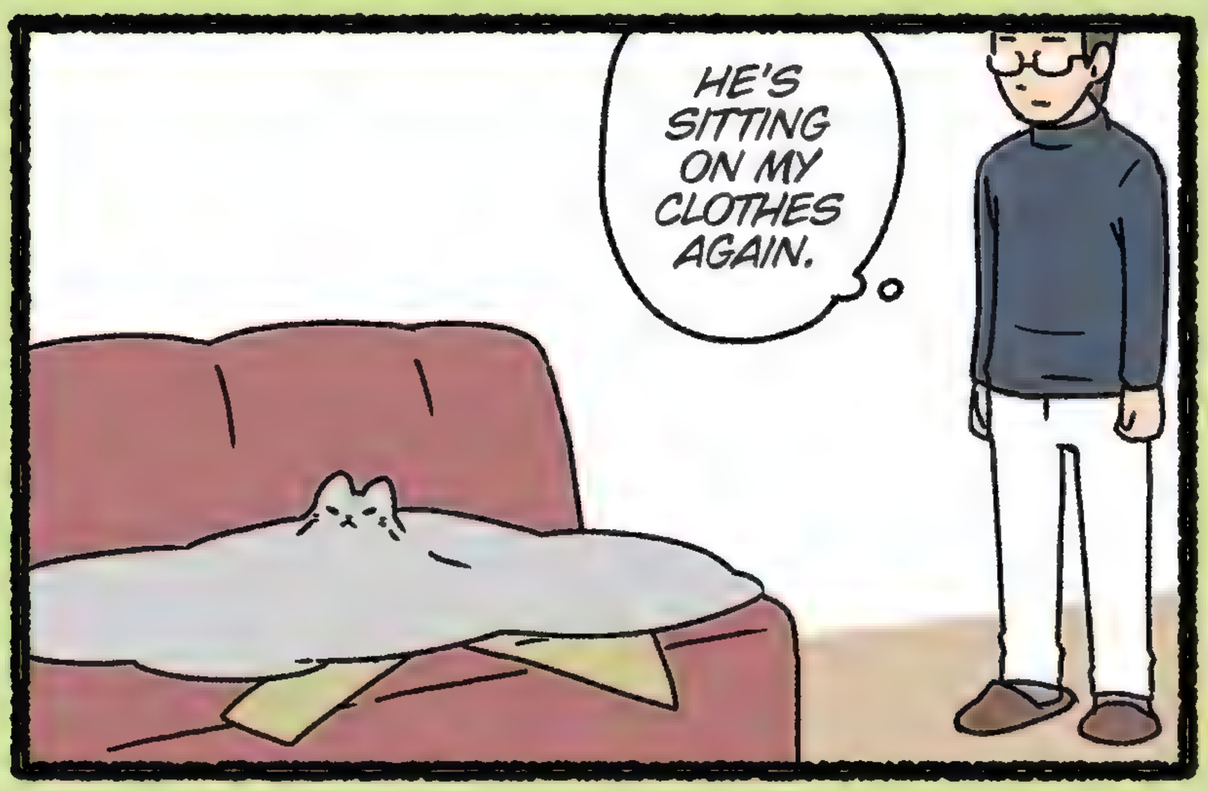

YOU REALLY LOVE DAD, DON'T YOU?
HA HA HA!

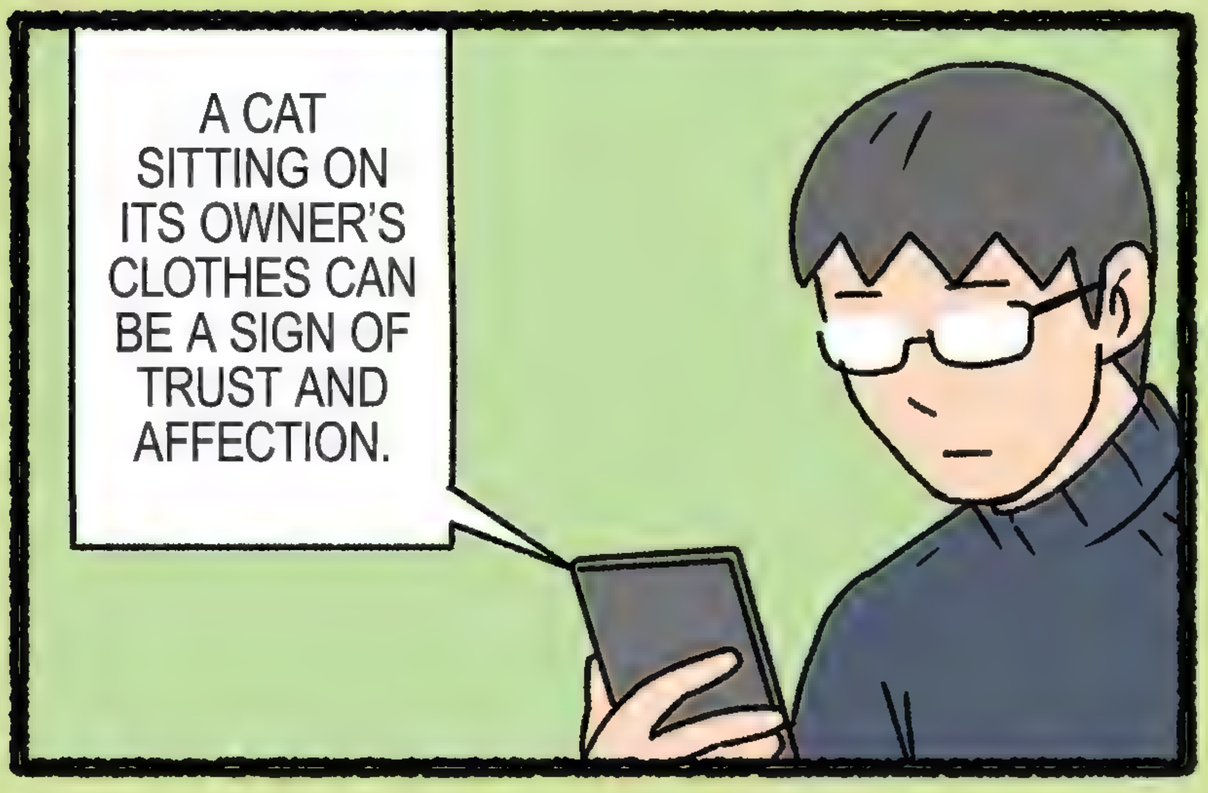

SHUFFLE...


A DOZING CAT WRAPPED IN A TOWEL.


ZZZ...
ZZZ...




HE'S SITTING ON MY CLOTHES AGAIN.


A CAT SITTING ON ITS OWNER'S CLOTHES CAN BE A SIGN OF TRUST AND AFFECTION.


AW, HOW COULD I SAY NO TO THAT?


I MADE A DOOR FOR YOU!
SHUFFLE...
STARE
SHUFFLE...

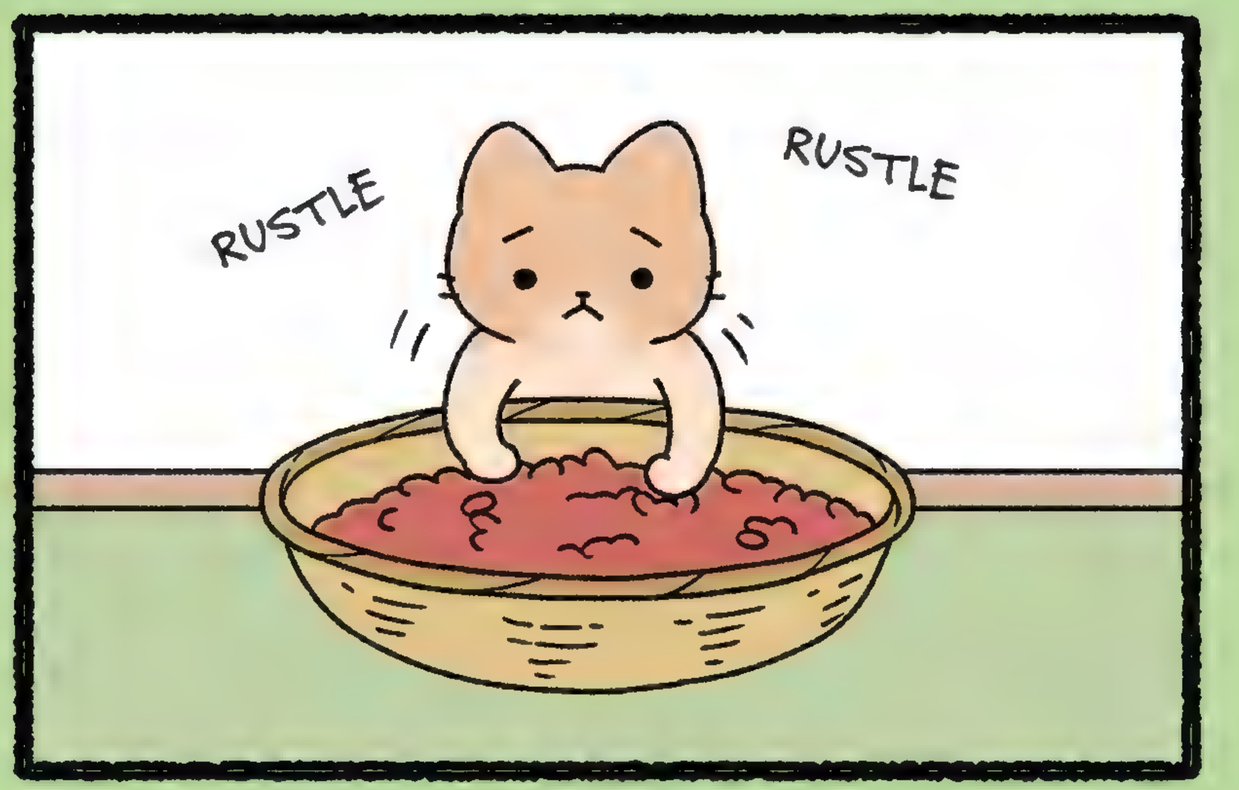
Azuki-arai

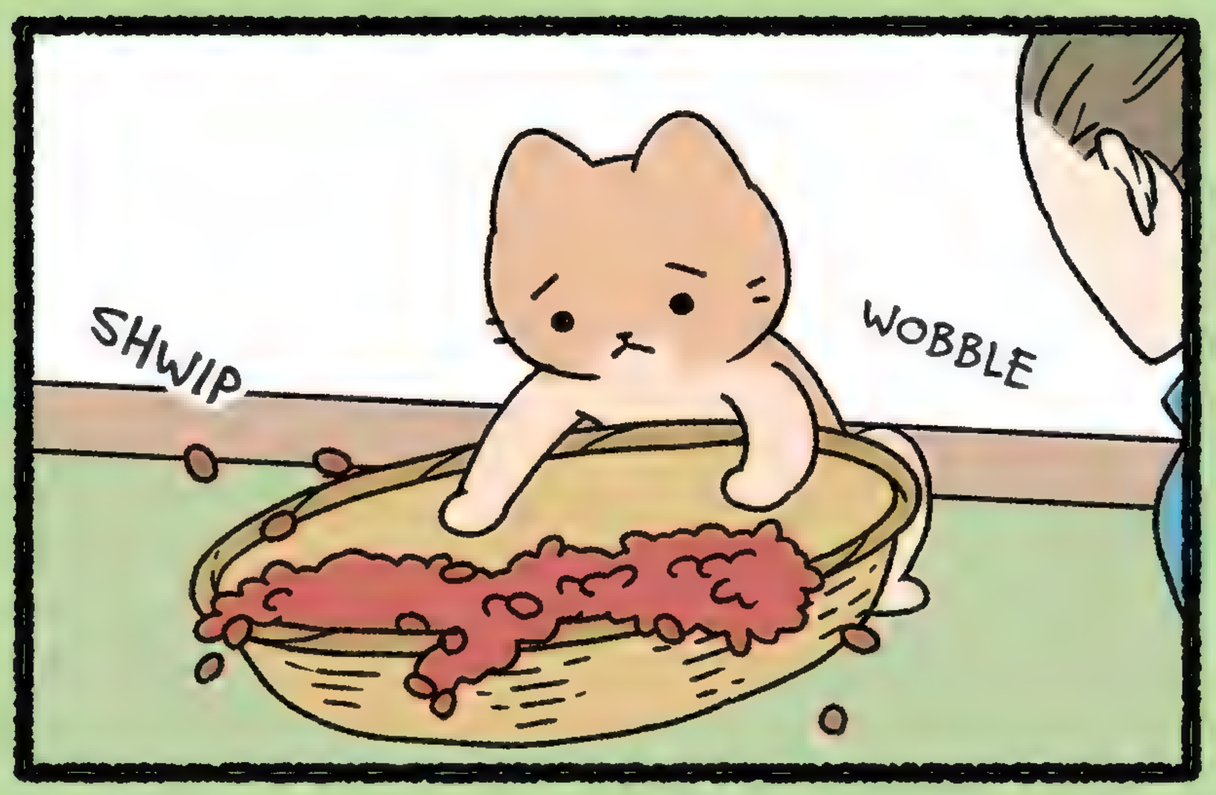
Bean Washer

Loves azuki beans and is addicted to washing them. Its owner spends more money on azuki beans than toys or food.

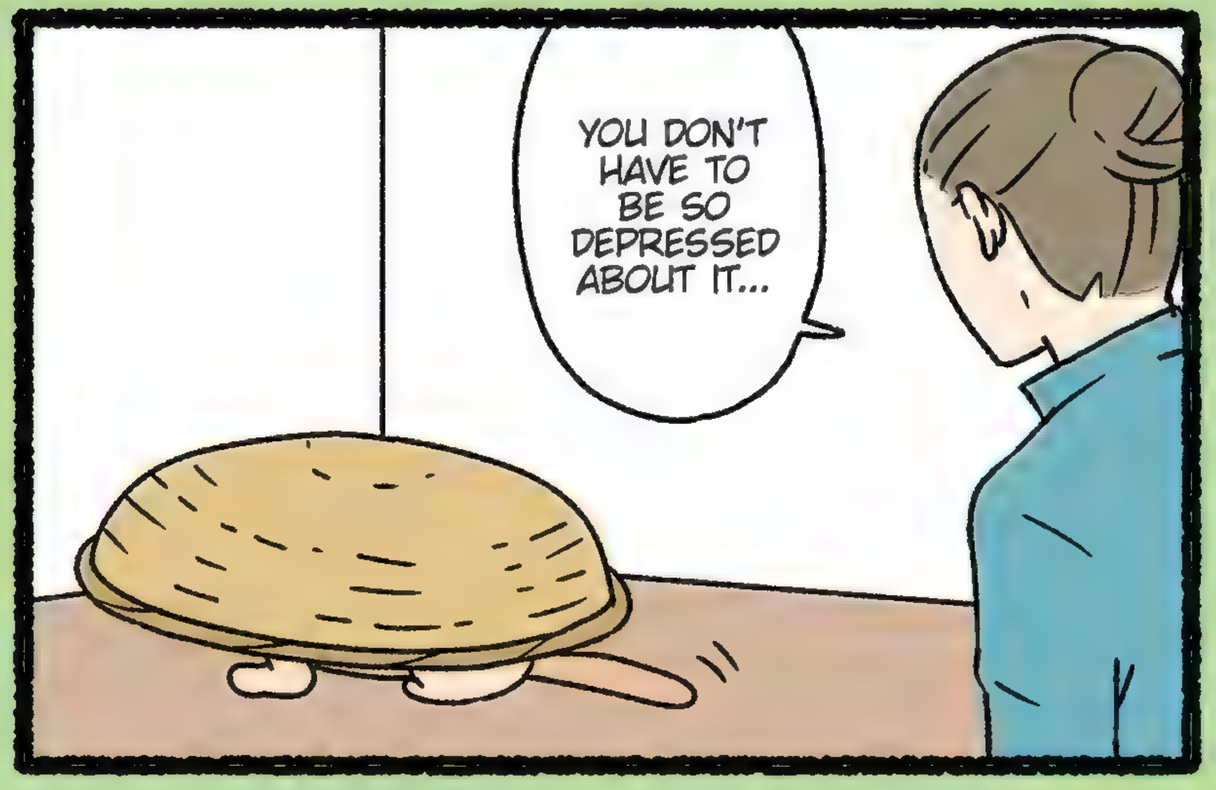


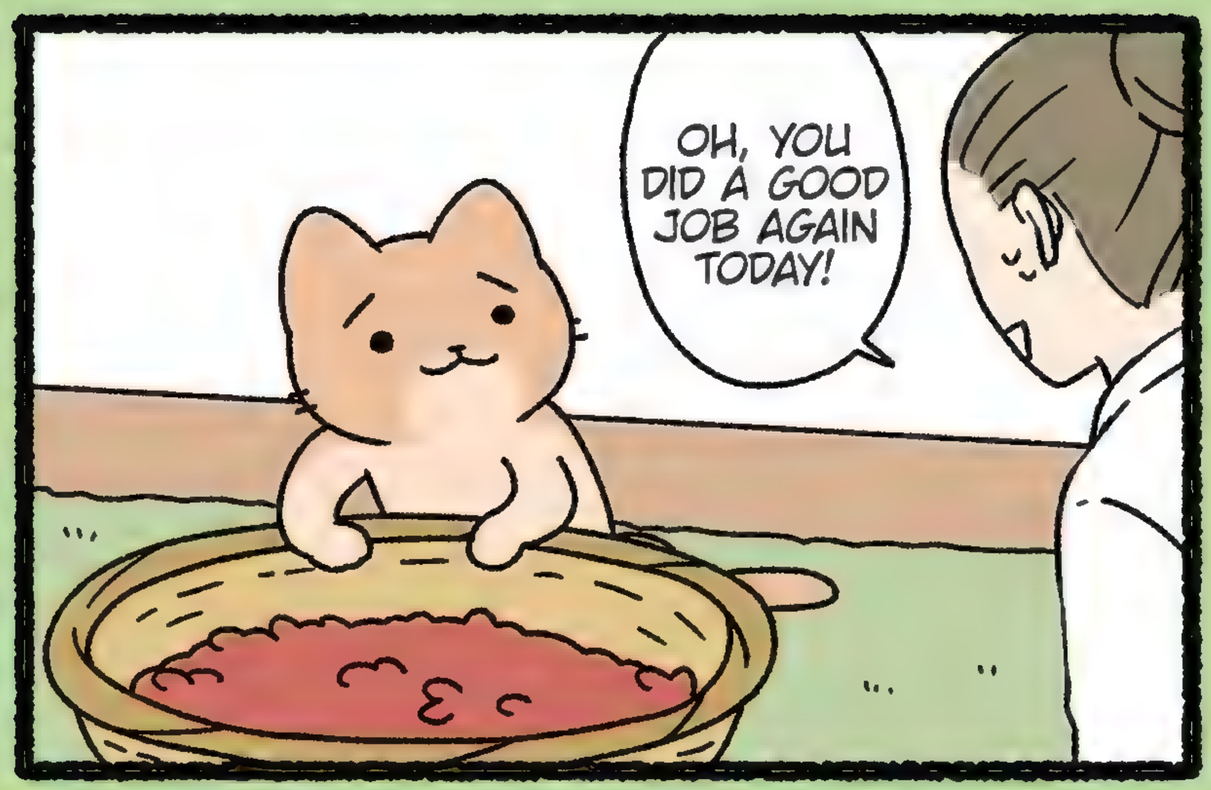



RUSTLE
RUSTLE

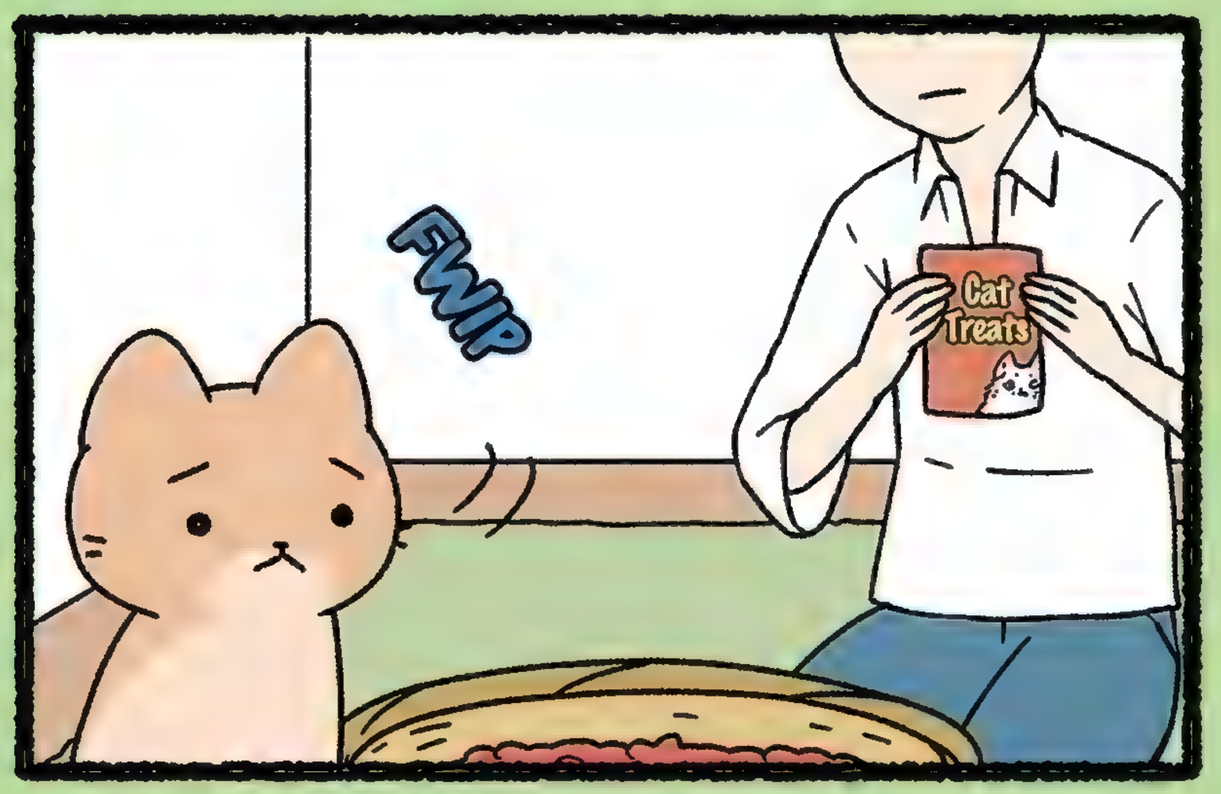

SHWIP
WOBBLE


IT'S RARE FOR YOU TO SPILL THEM.


YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE SO DEPRESSED ABOUT IT...


OH, YOU DID A GOOD JOB AGAIN TODAY!


WELL DONE! HOW ABOUT A TREAT?
Cat Treats

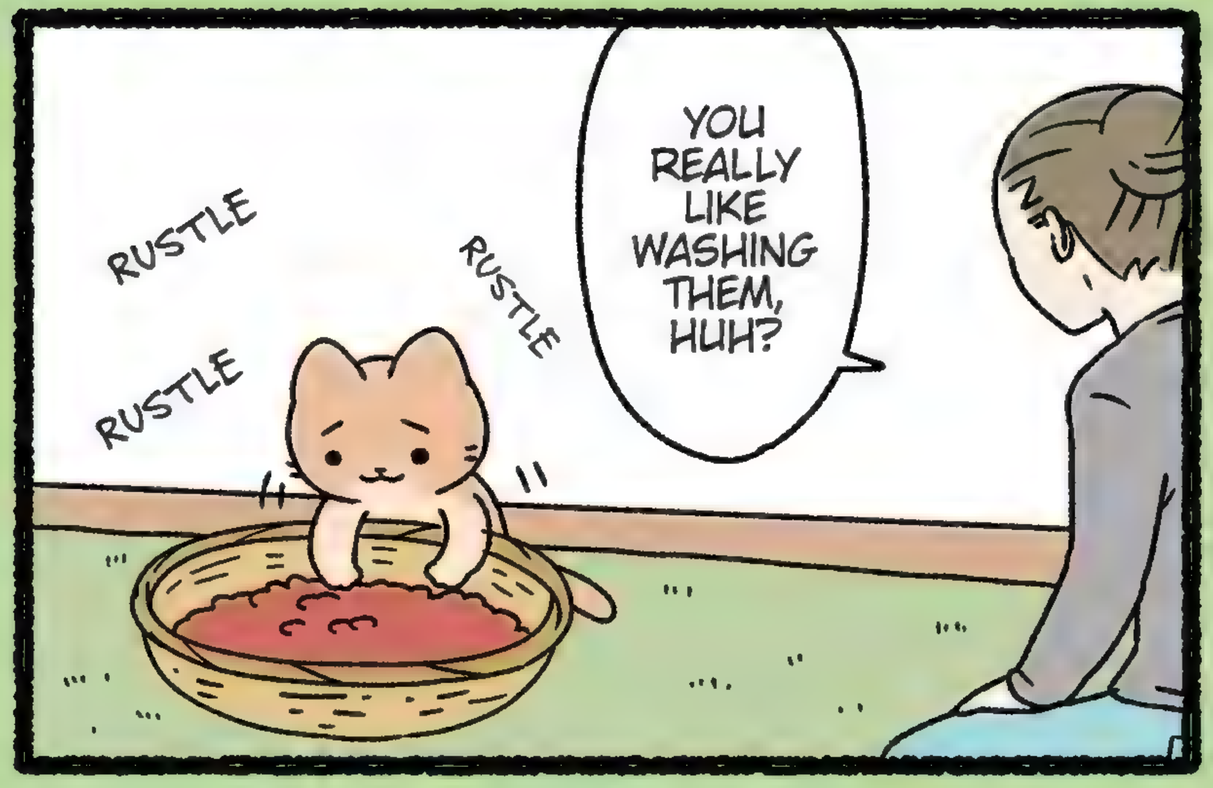

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Cat Treats

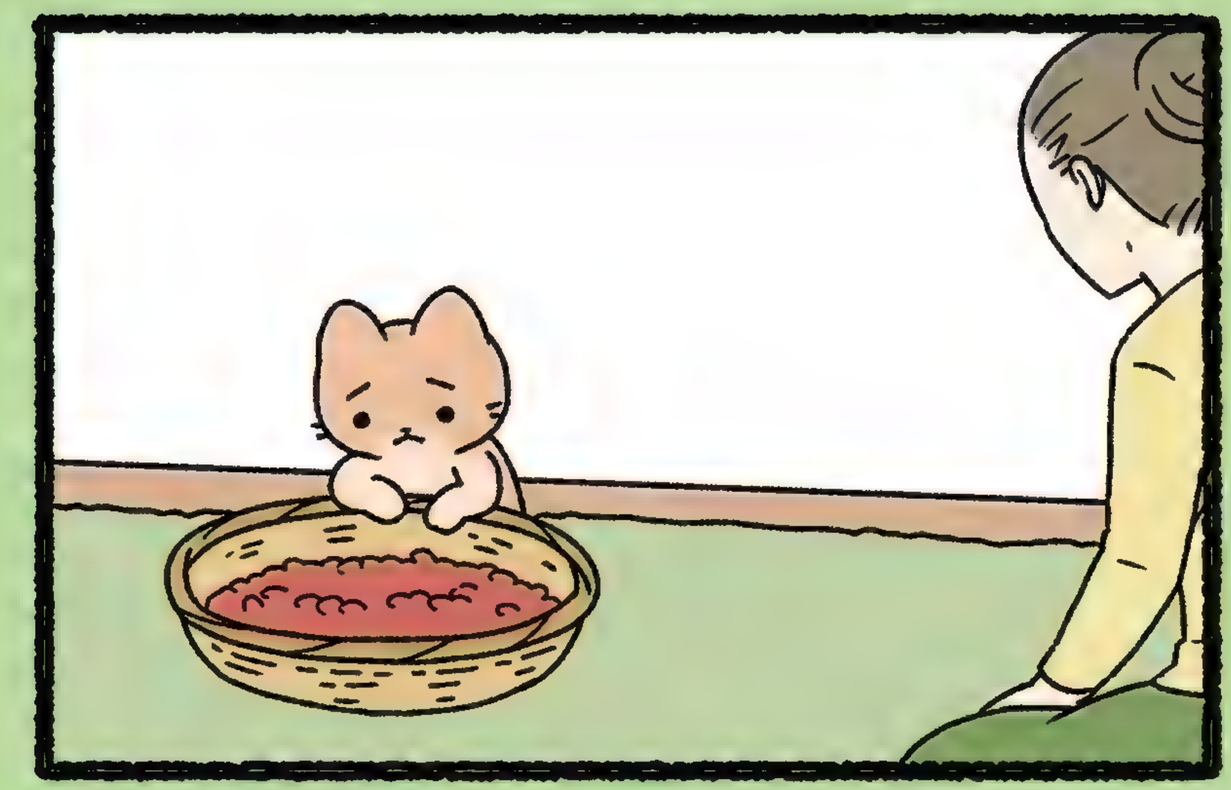

RUSTLE
RUSTLE
OKAY...
YOU'RE GOING TO KEEP WASHING THEM.

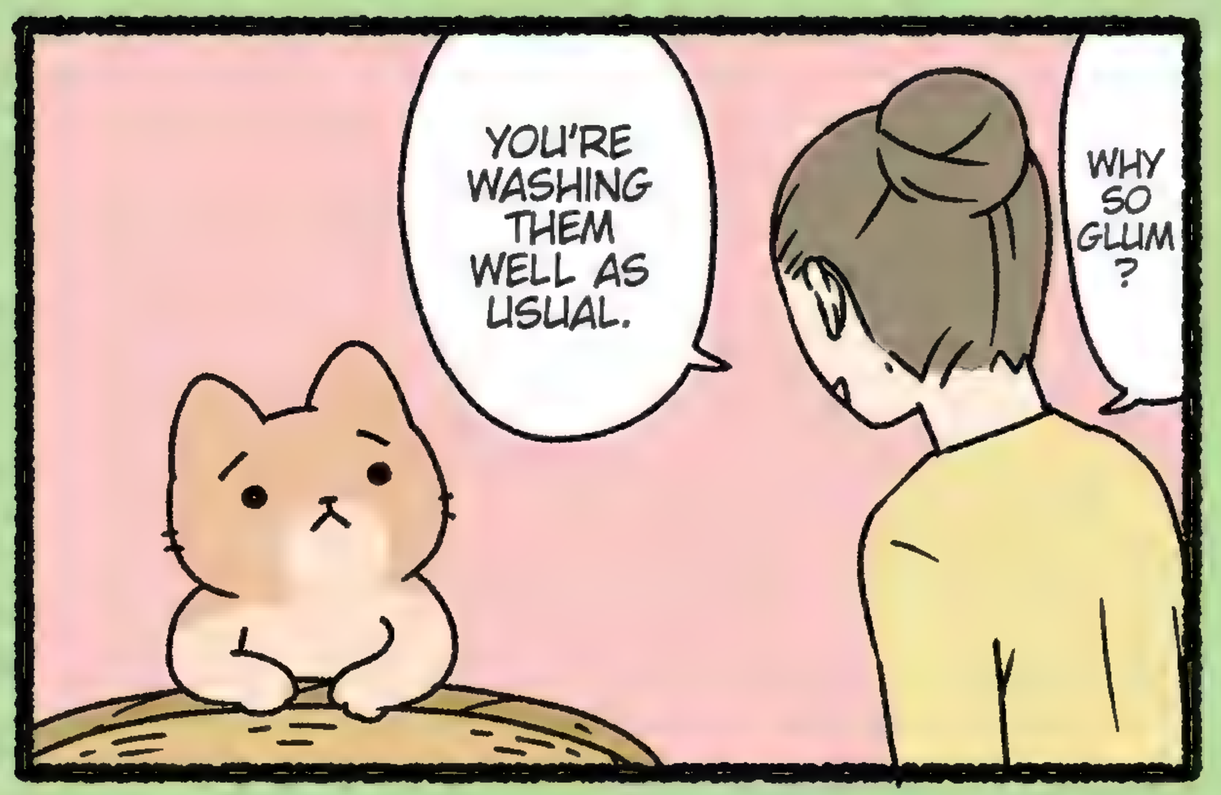

LOOK! IT'S AZUKI-FLAVORED CAT FOOD!


FWIP
Cat Food
Azuki Flavor

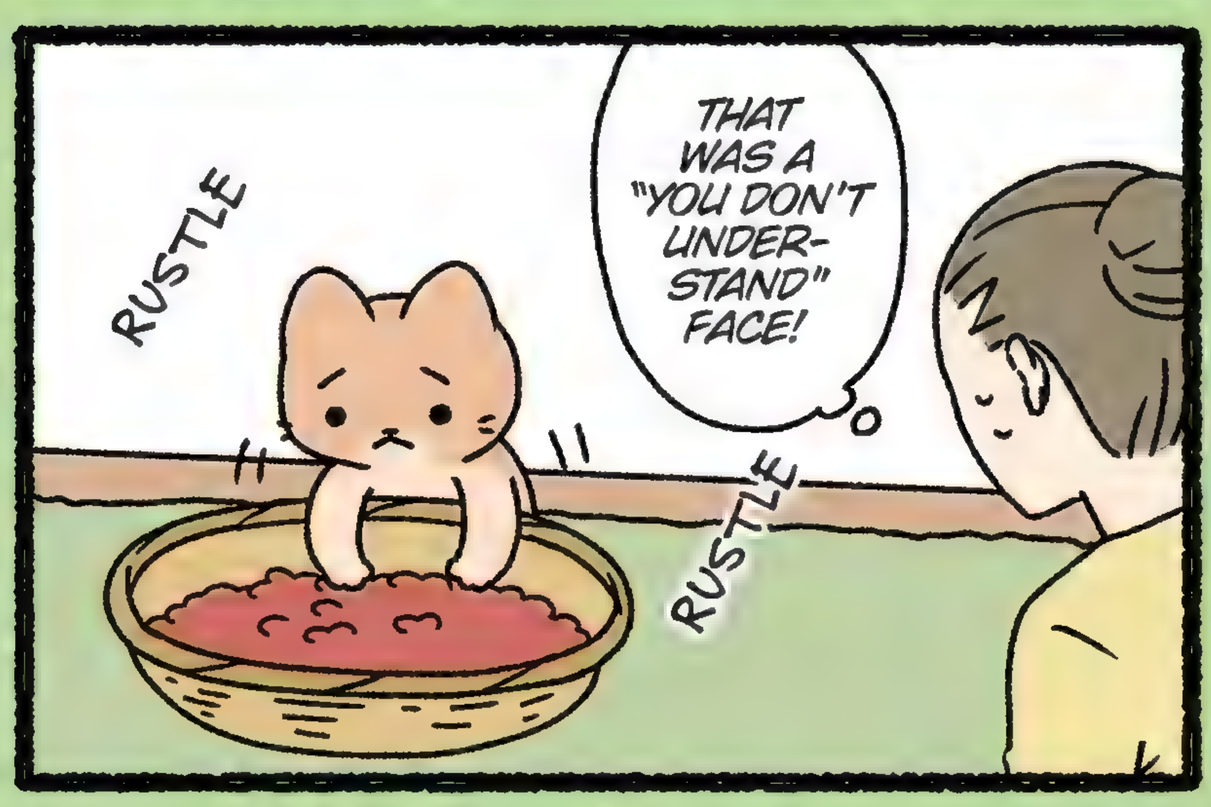

LOOK! AZUKI-COLORED CLOTHES!
FWIP

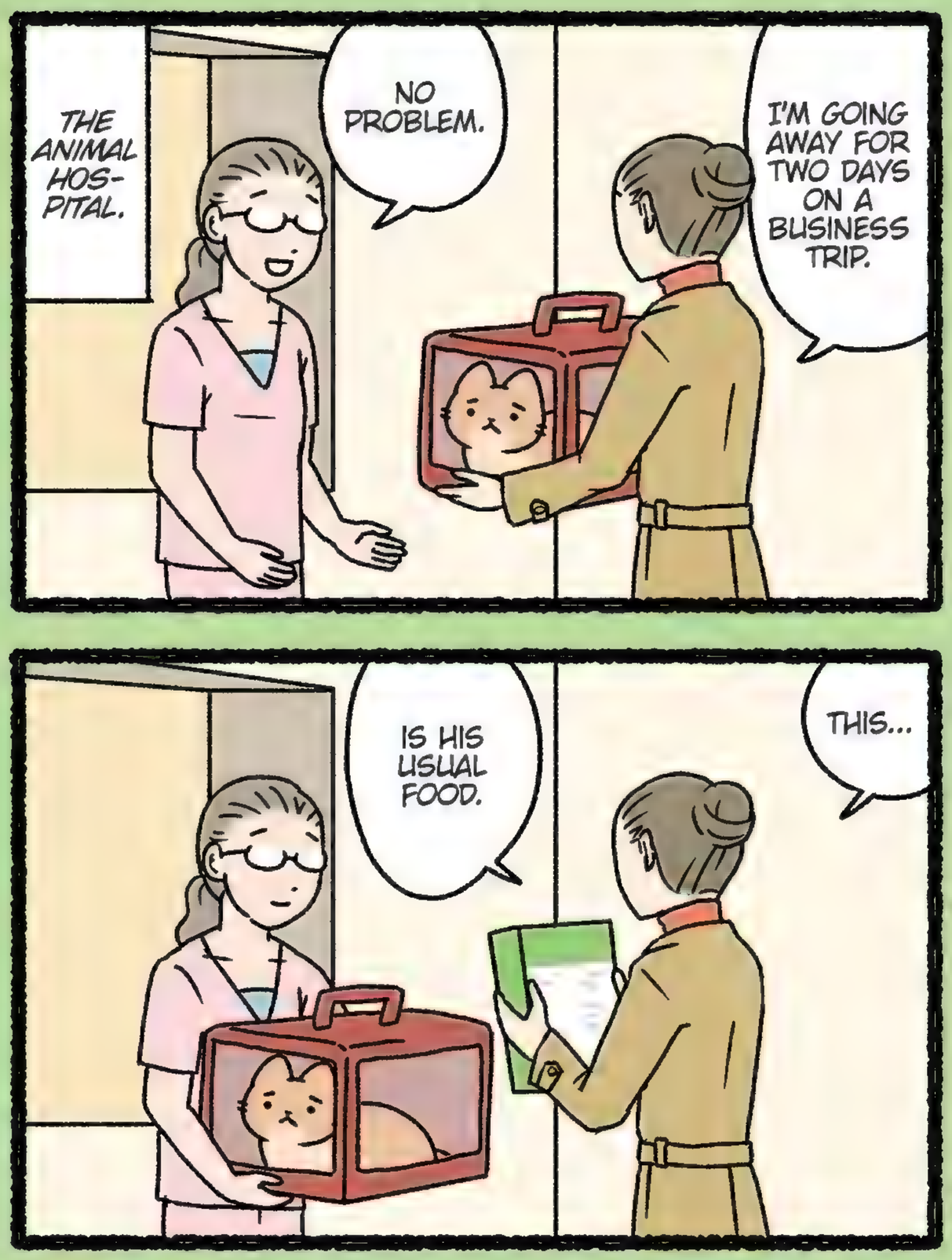

RUSTLE
RUSTLE
RUSTLE
YOU REALLY LIKE WASHING THEM, HUH?

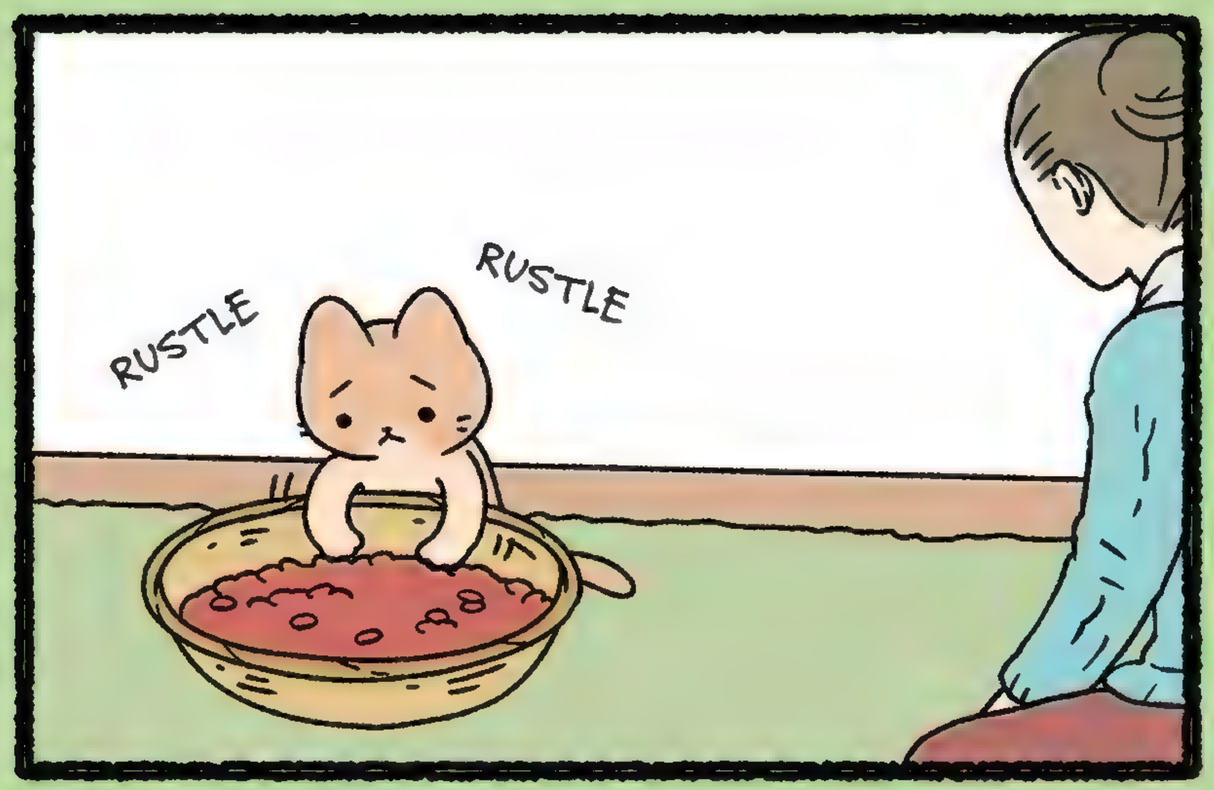


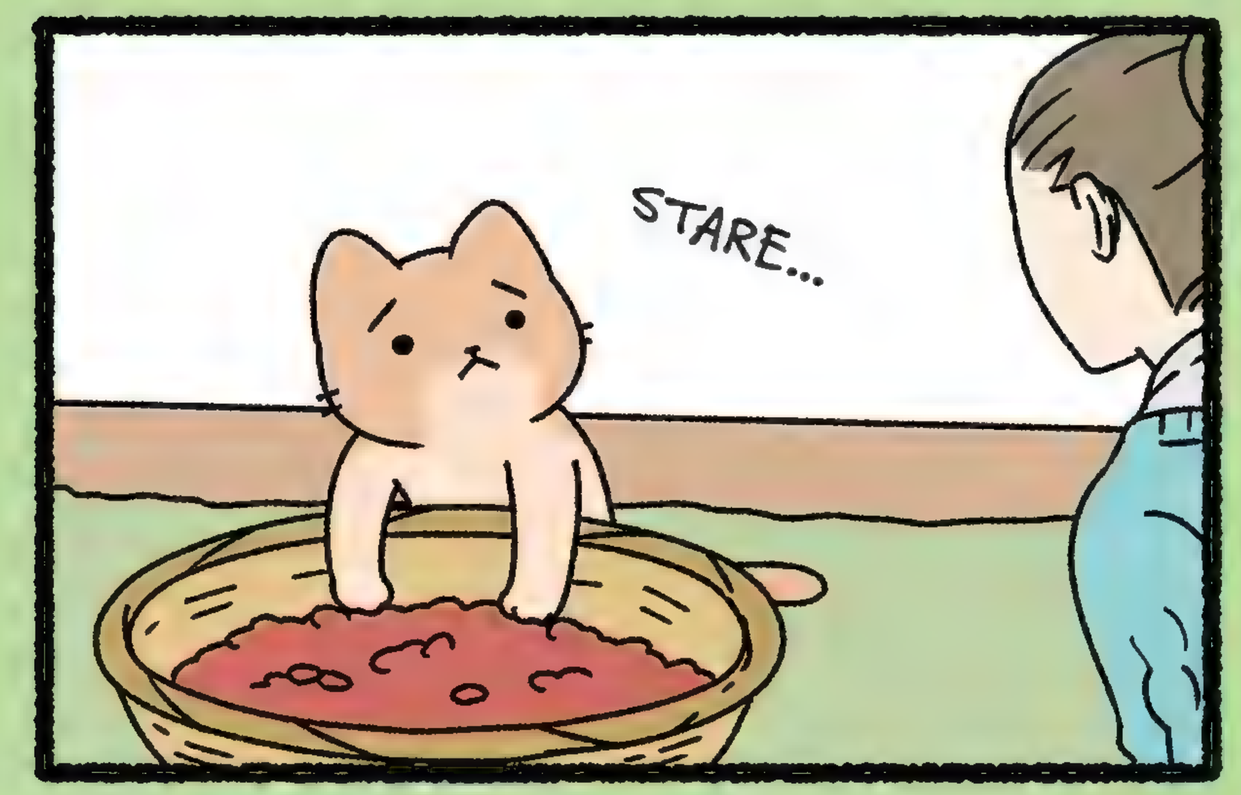

YOU'RE WASHING THEM WELL AS USUAL.
WHY SO GLUM ?

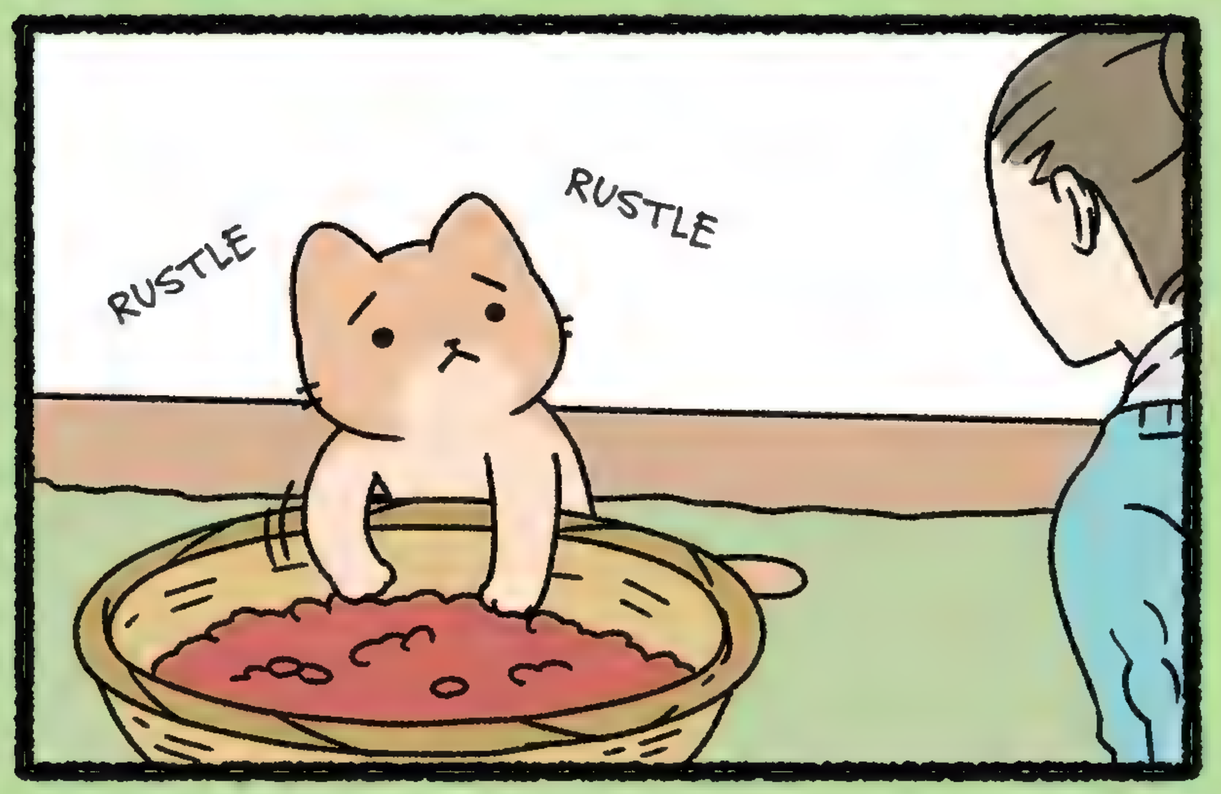


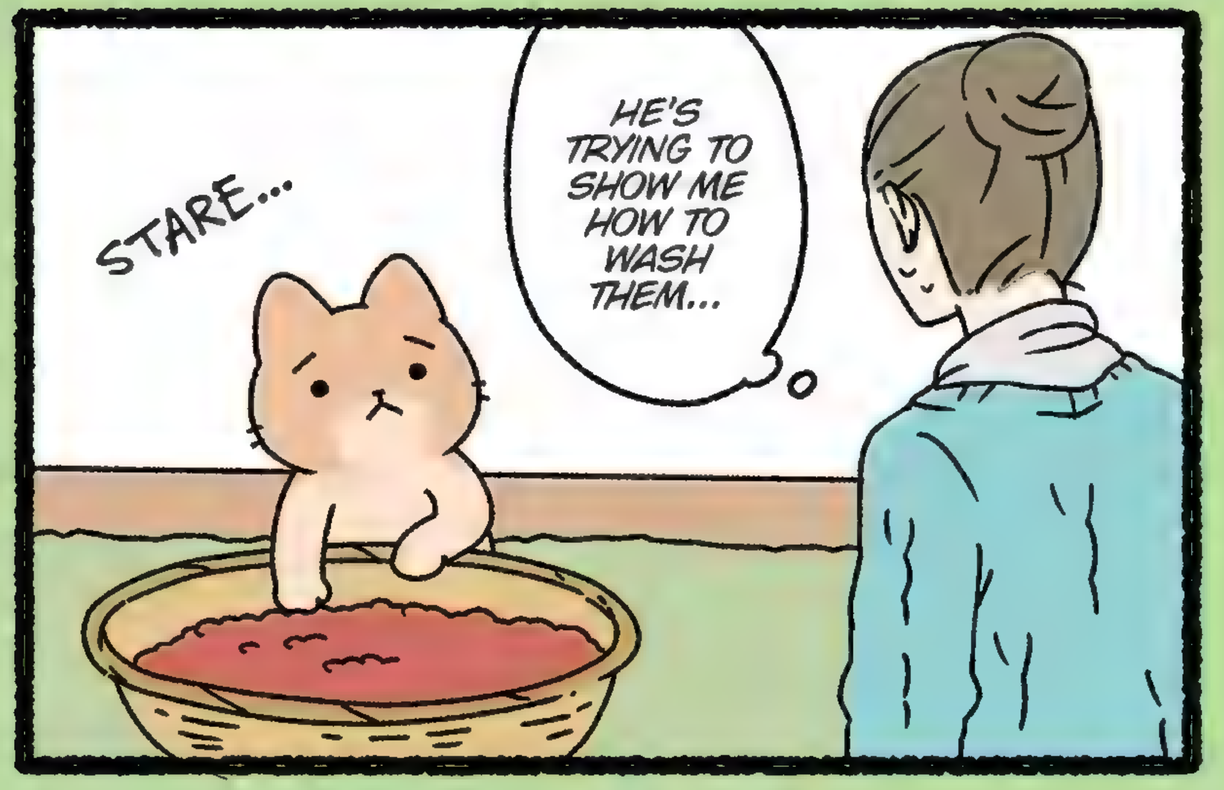

RUSTLE
THAT WAS A "YOU DON'T UNDER-STAND" FACE!
RUSTLE


THE ANIMAL HOS-PITAL.
NO PROBLEM.
I'M GOING AWAY FOR TWO DAYS ON A BUSINESS TRIP.
IS HIS USUAL FOOD.
THIS...
ARE THE BEANS HE ALWAYS WASHES.
AZUKI BEANS
AND THESE...
IS THE BASKET HE WASHES THEM IN...
AND THIS...


RUSTLE
RUSTLE


STARE...


RUSTLE
RUSTLE


STARE...
HE'S TRYING TO SHOW ME HOW TO WASH THEM...





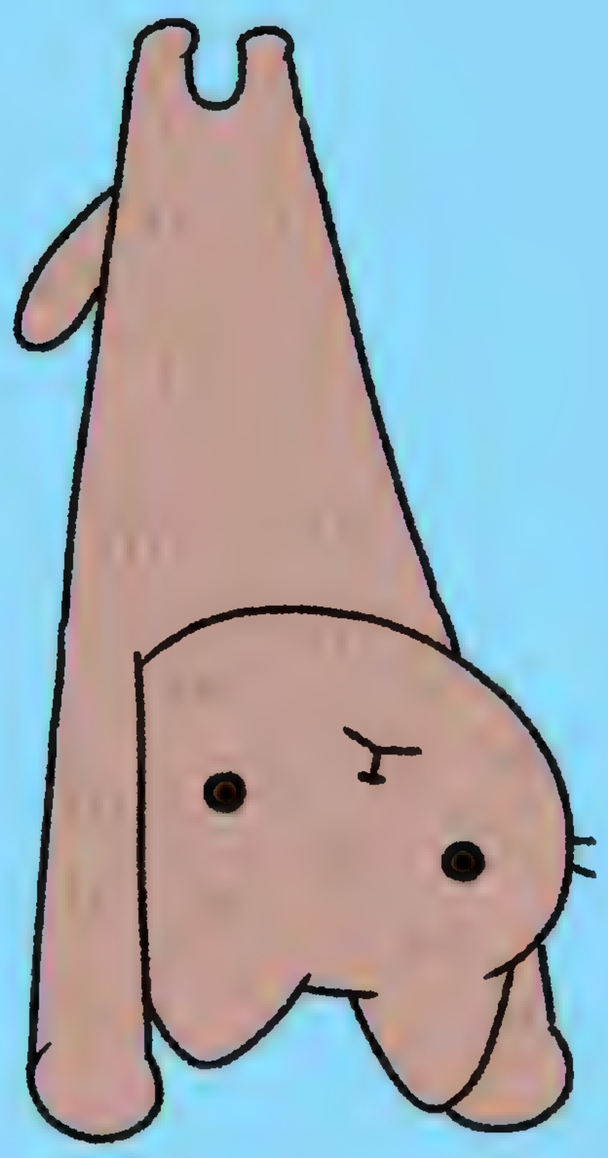




Tenjo-sagari

Ceiling Hanger

Likes hanging from the ceiling for some reason. Its hind legs are... dexterous? It can also stretch its body to touch people below.



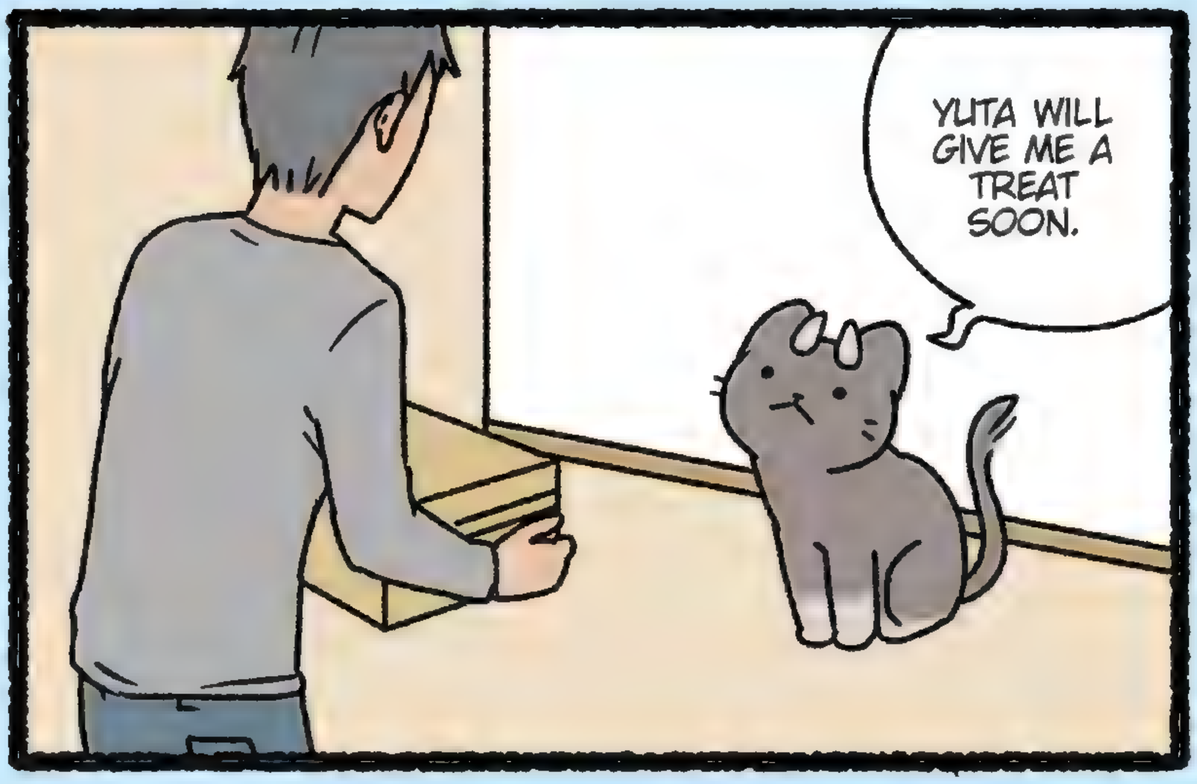

CHOBI!
WHY WON'T YOU COME WHEN I CALL YOU?





Kudan

The words it speaks are a prophecy...or perhaps a mere hope?



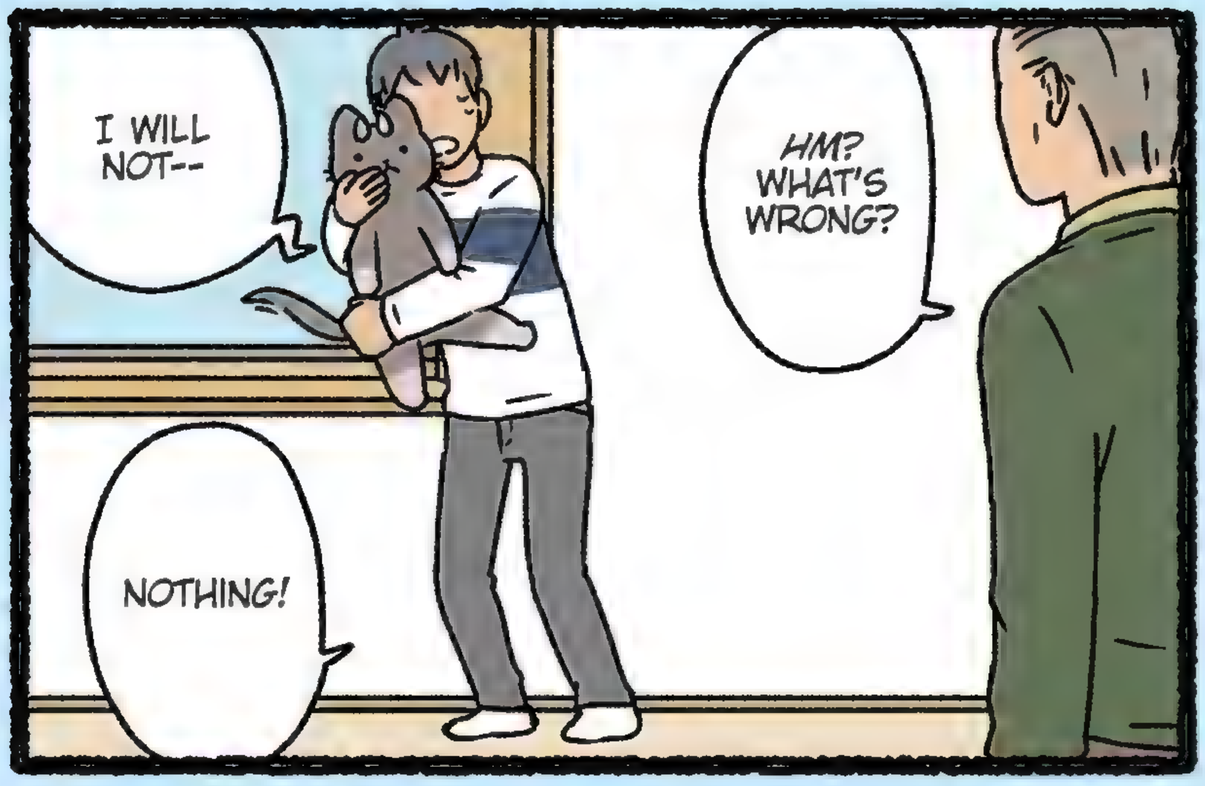




THERE WILL BE AN ENGLISH QUIZ TOMORROW.
MYSTERI-OUSLY, THEY COME TRUE...
OUR CAT MAKES PREDIC-TIONS SOME-TIMES.

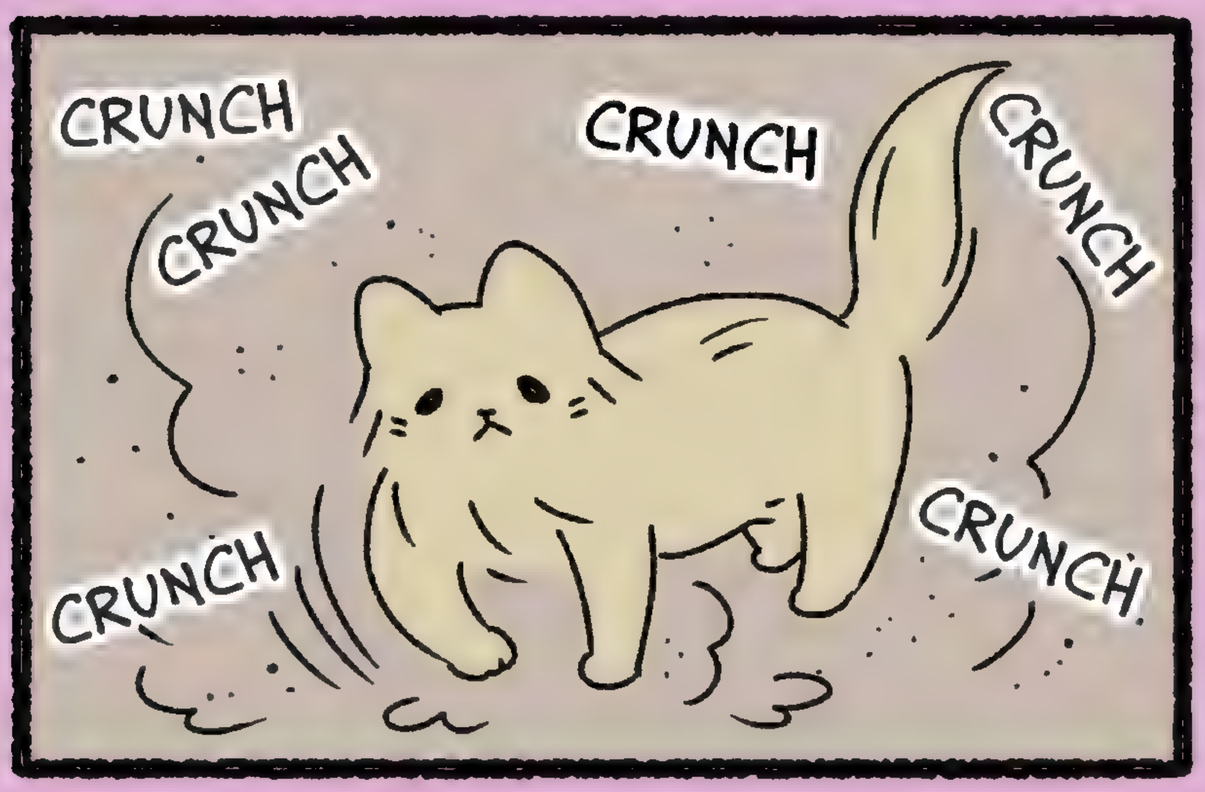

I FINALLY PUT THE CAT TOWER TOGETHER!

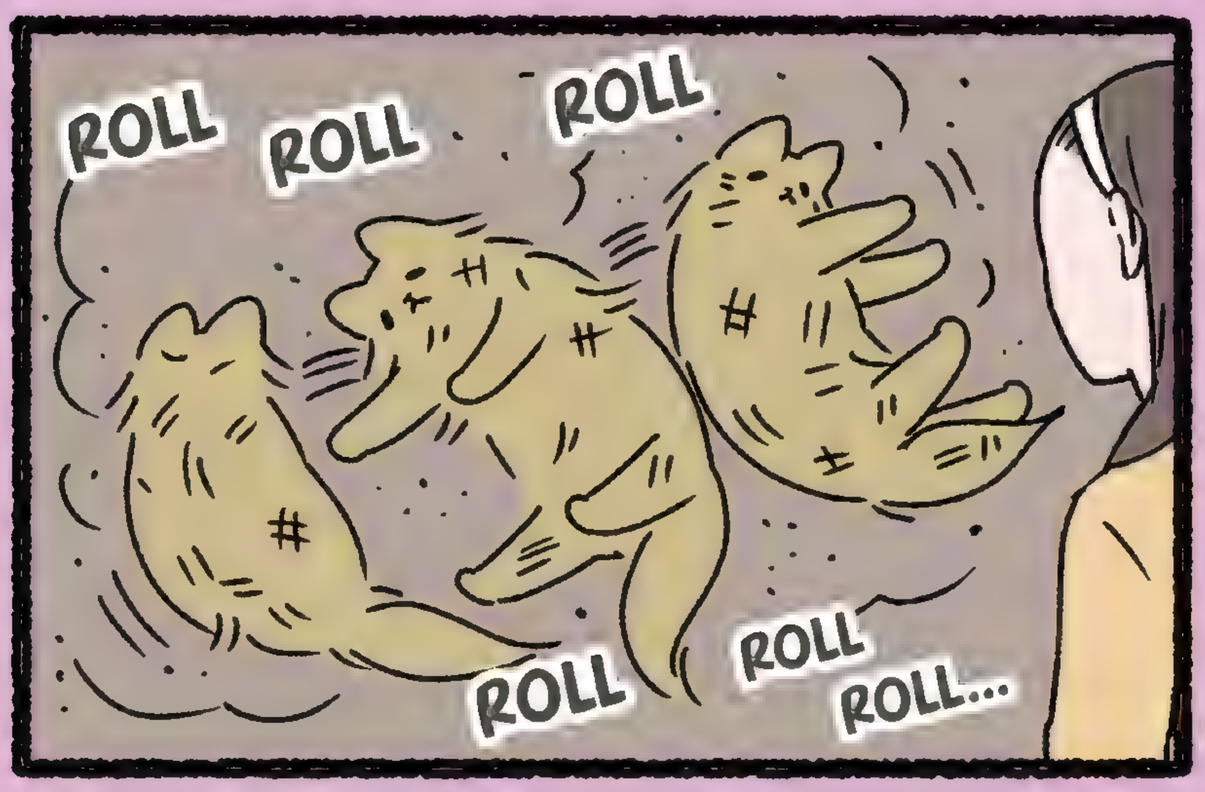

I WILL NOT GO ON THE CAT TOWER.


I WILL NOT--
NOTHING!
HM? WHAT'S WRONG?







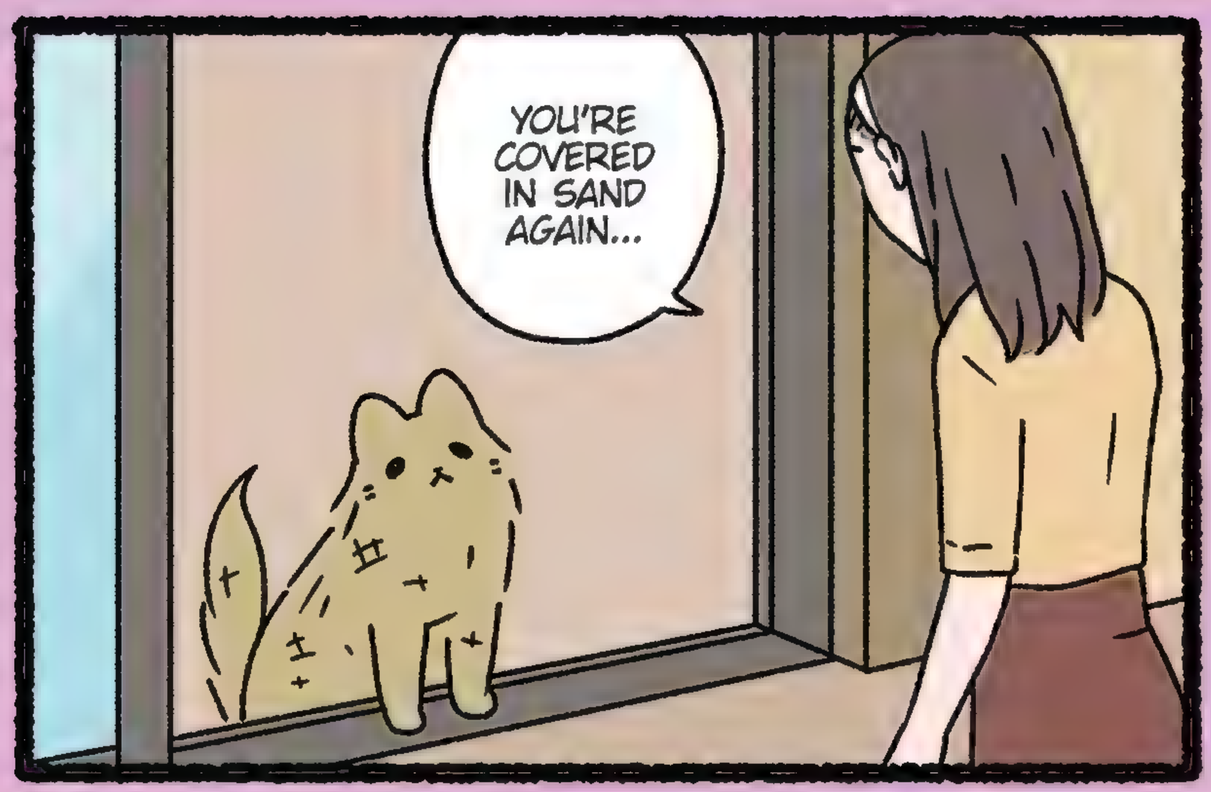


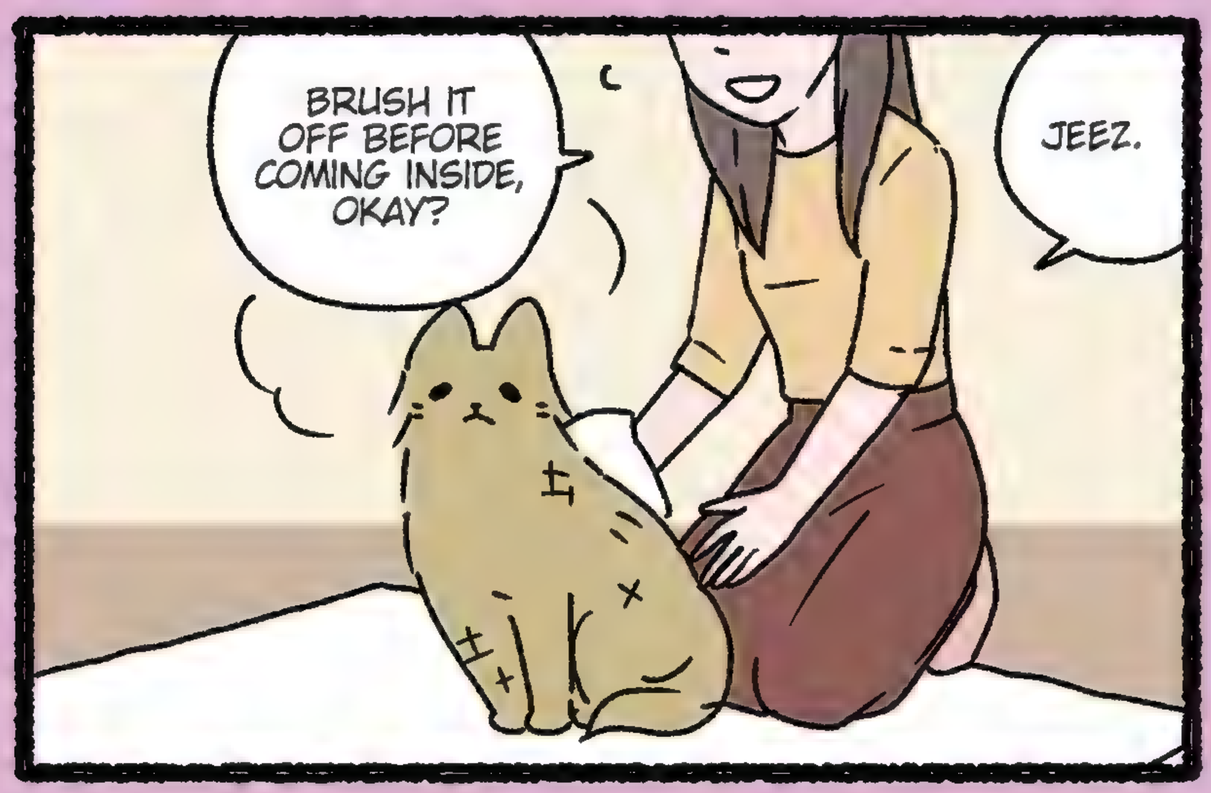
Sunakake Baba

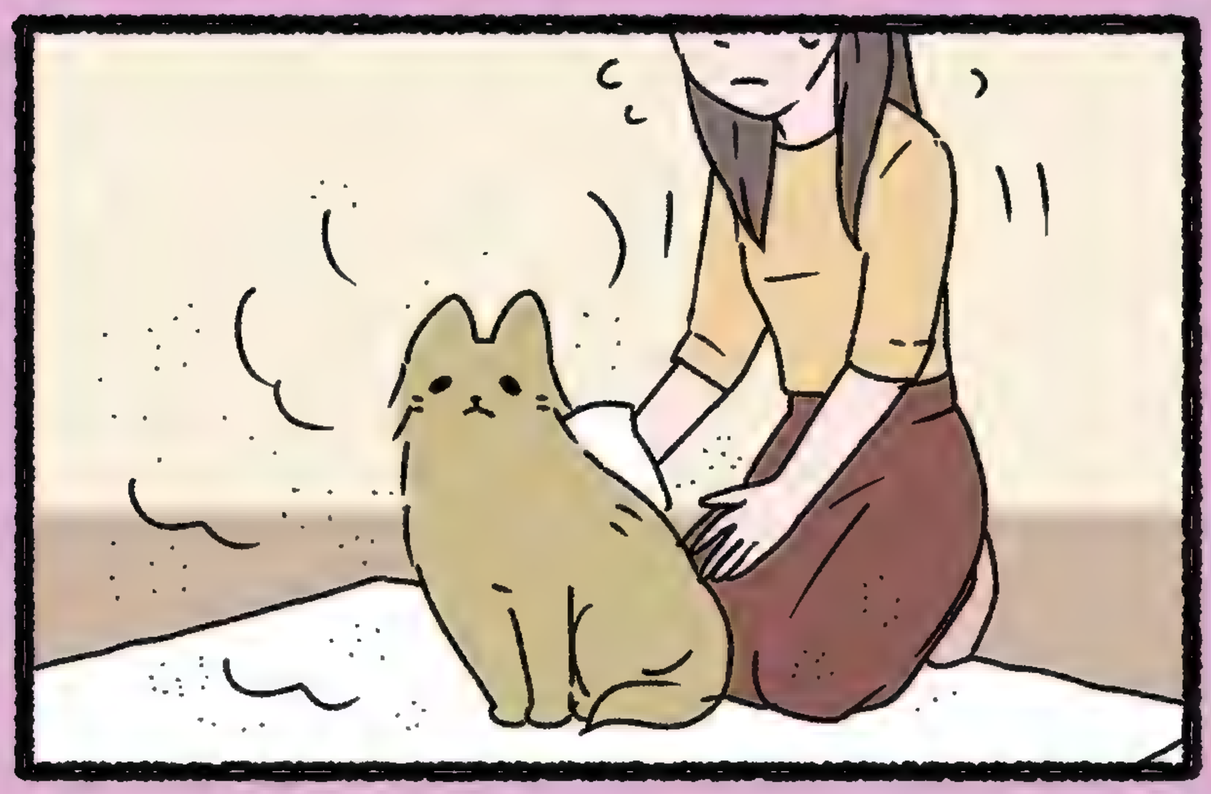
Sand-throwing Hag

Its sandy fur is so hard to groom it makes its owner cry. Apparently it wasn't originally sand-colored.




YOU'RE COVERED IN SAND AGAIN...


BRUSH IT OFF BEFORE COMING INSIDE, OKAY?
JEEZ.

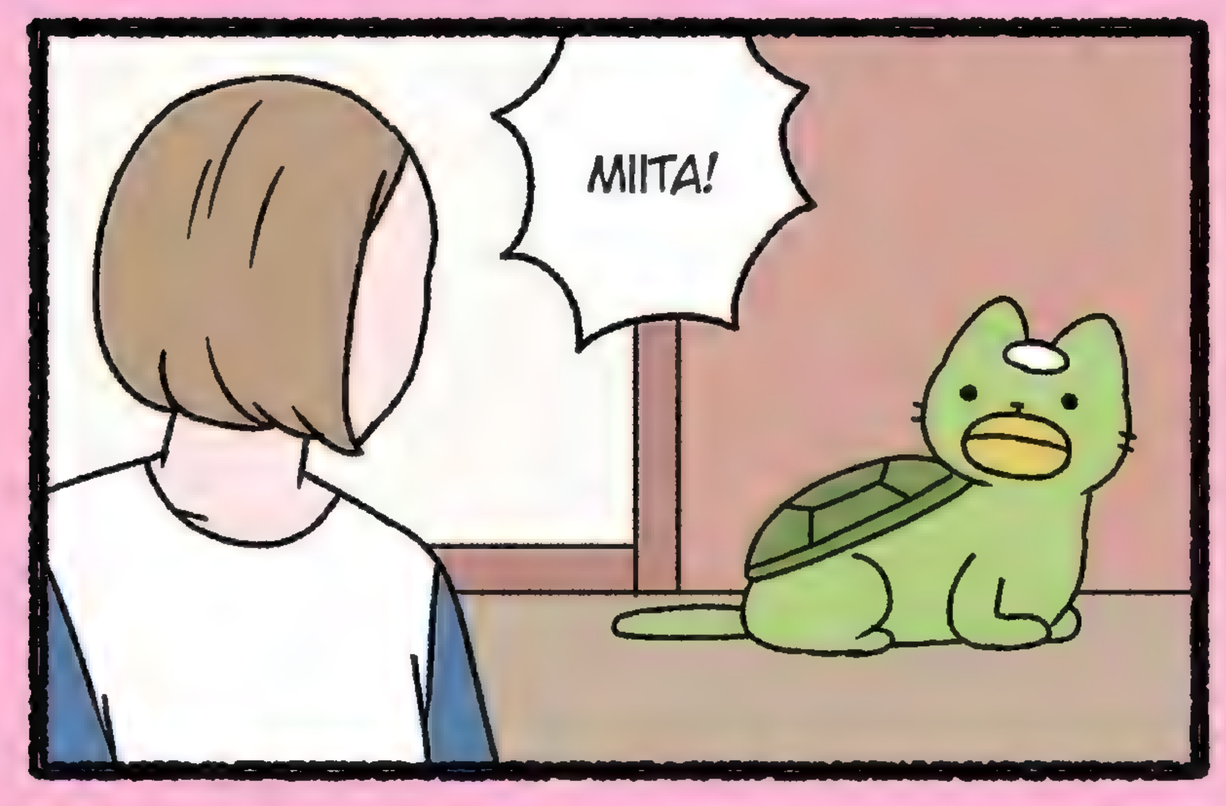


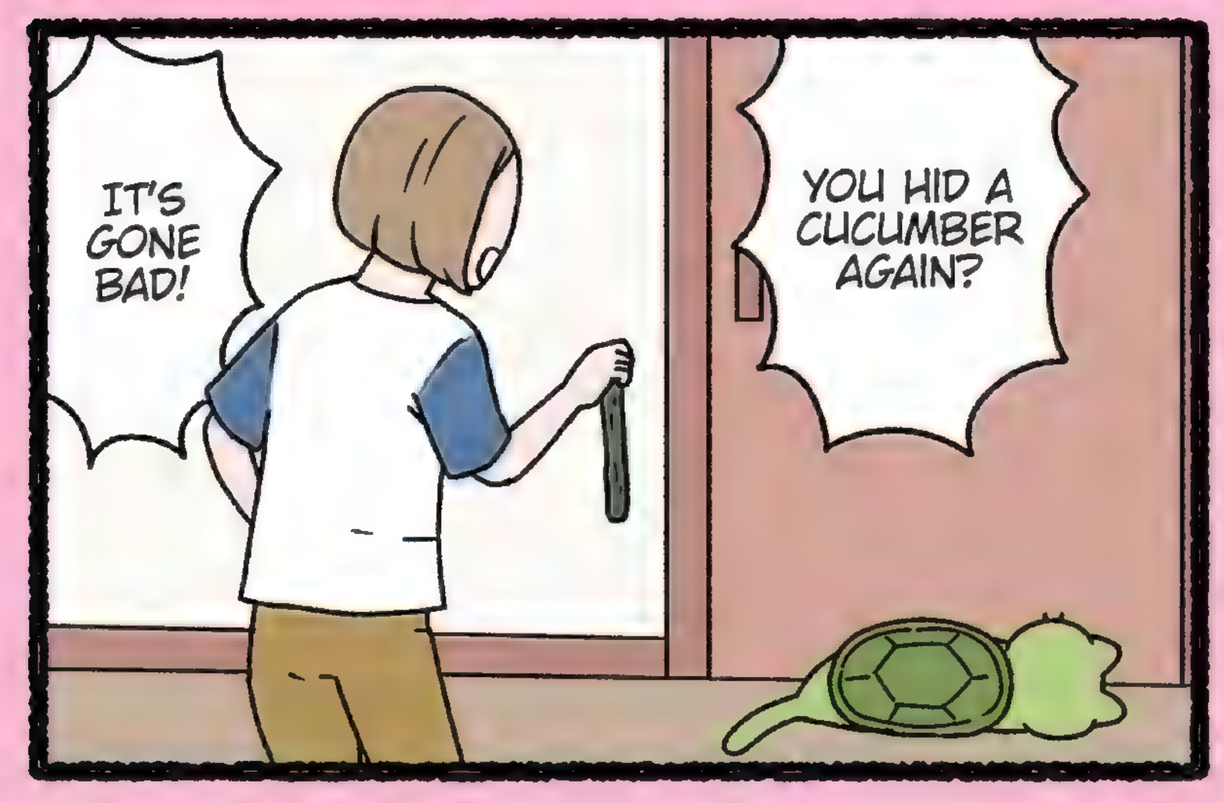

THERE'S THIS MUCH?
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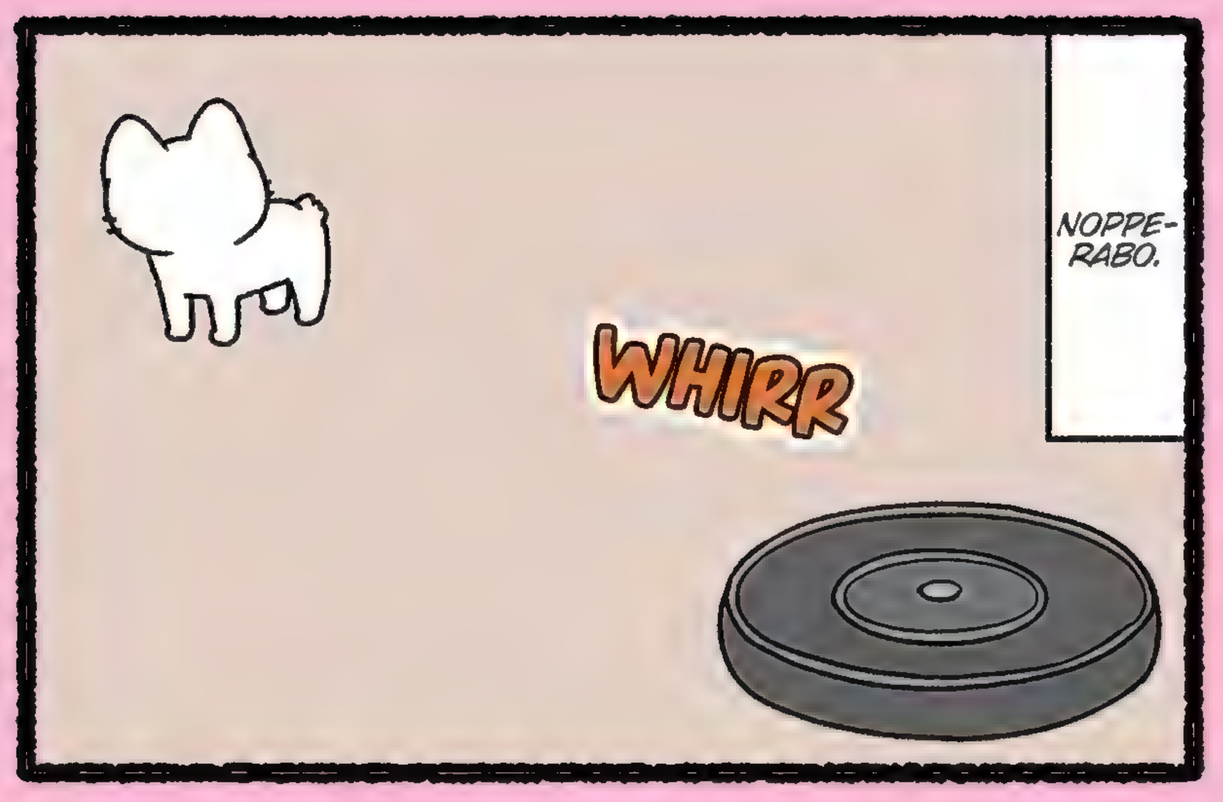
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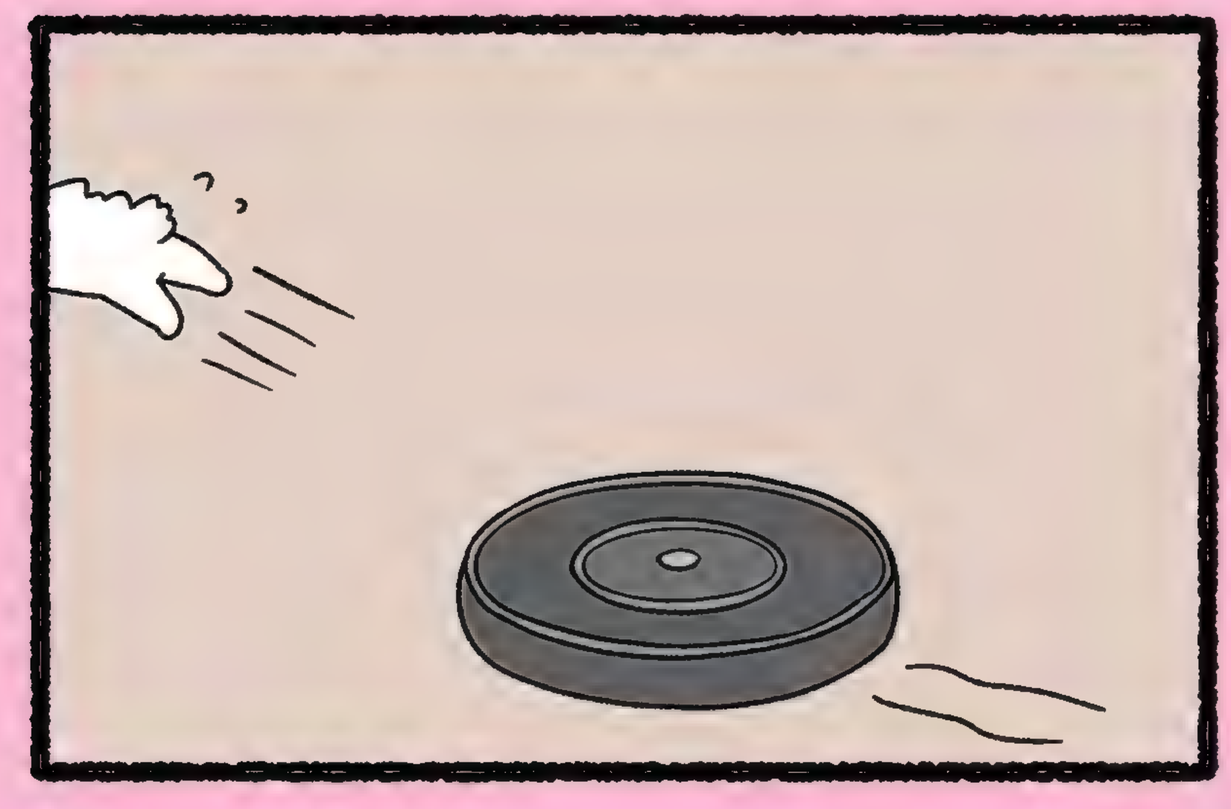
Has green fur and a hard shell on its back. Its mouth is yellow and it has a smooth dish on the top of its head.








NOPPE-
RABO.
WHIRR

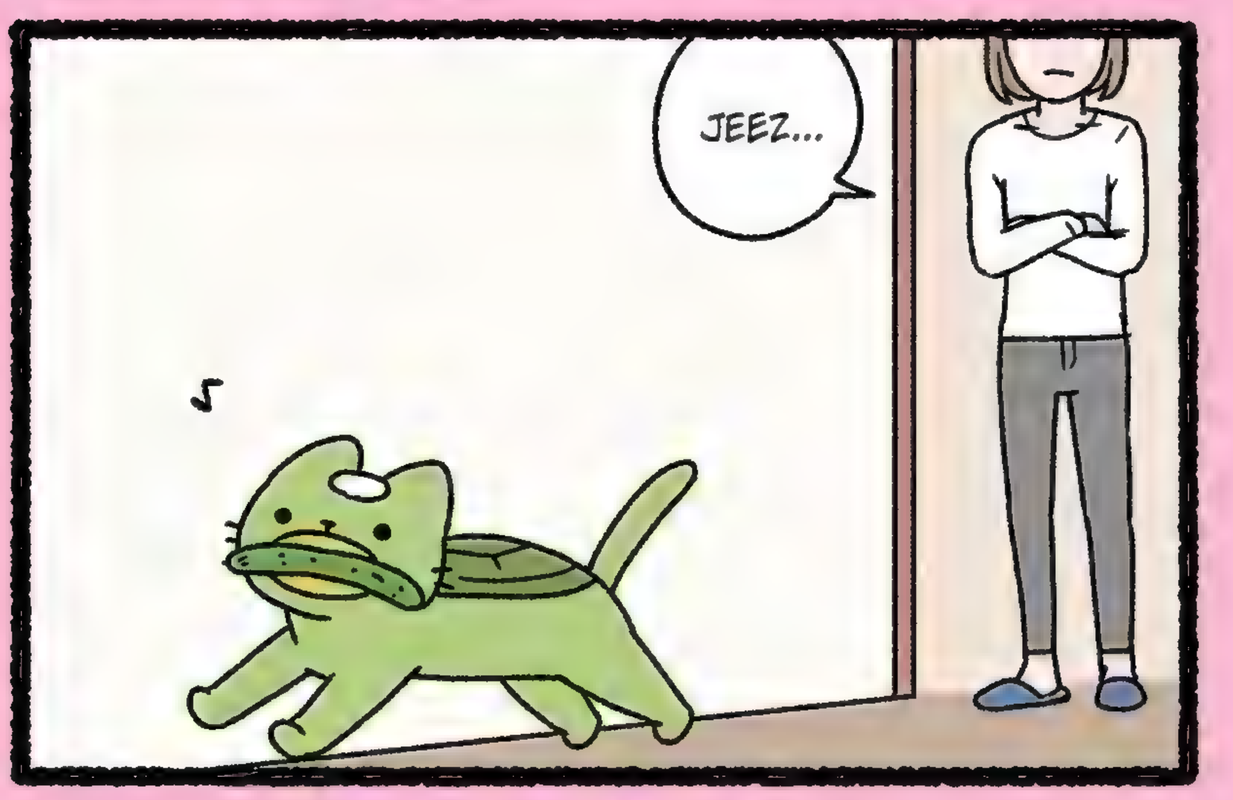



KAPPA.
WHIRR


DON'T
WRESTLE
IT!


THIS CUCUMBER IS FOR MY SALAD.

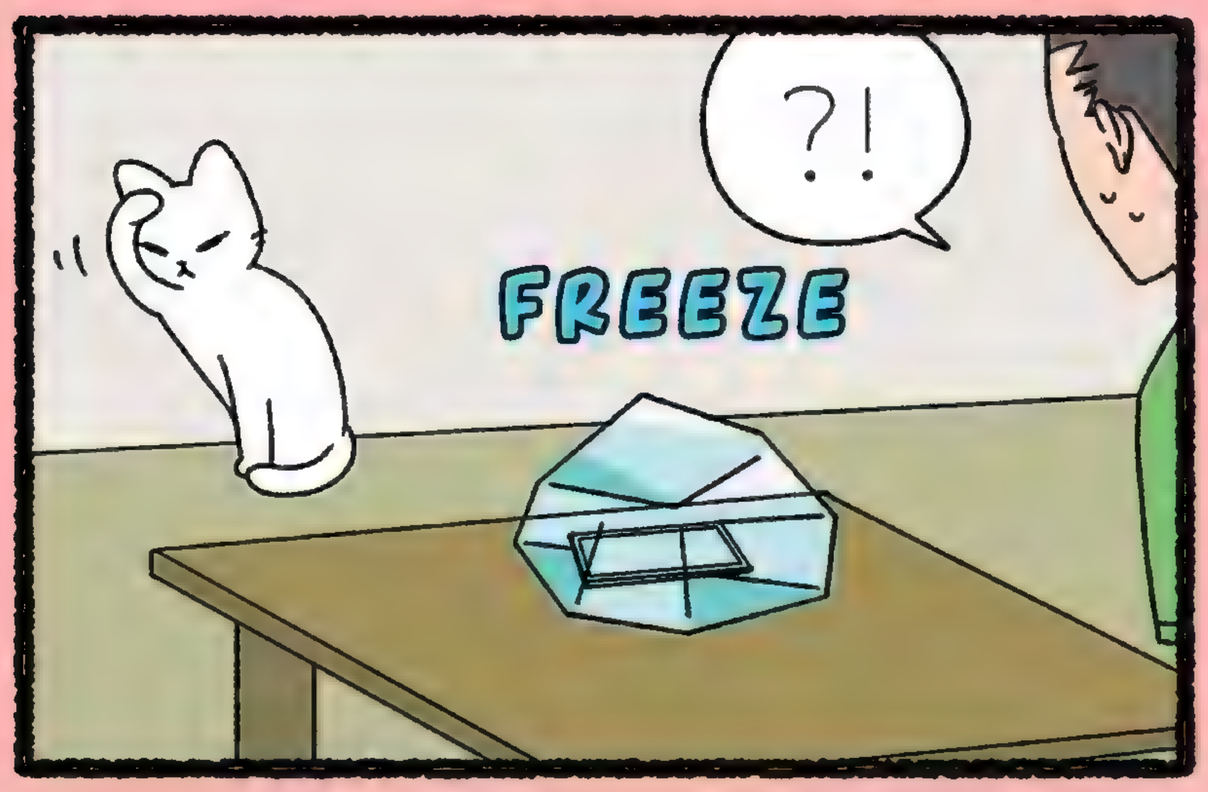



JEEZ...









Yuki Onna

Snow Woman

Seems tsundere but is very single-minded. Does not tolerate anything that takes her owner's attention away from her.

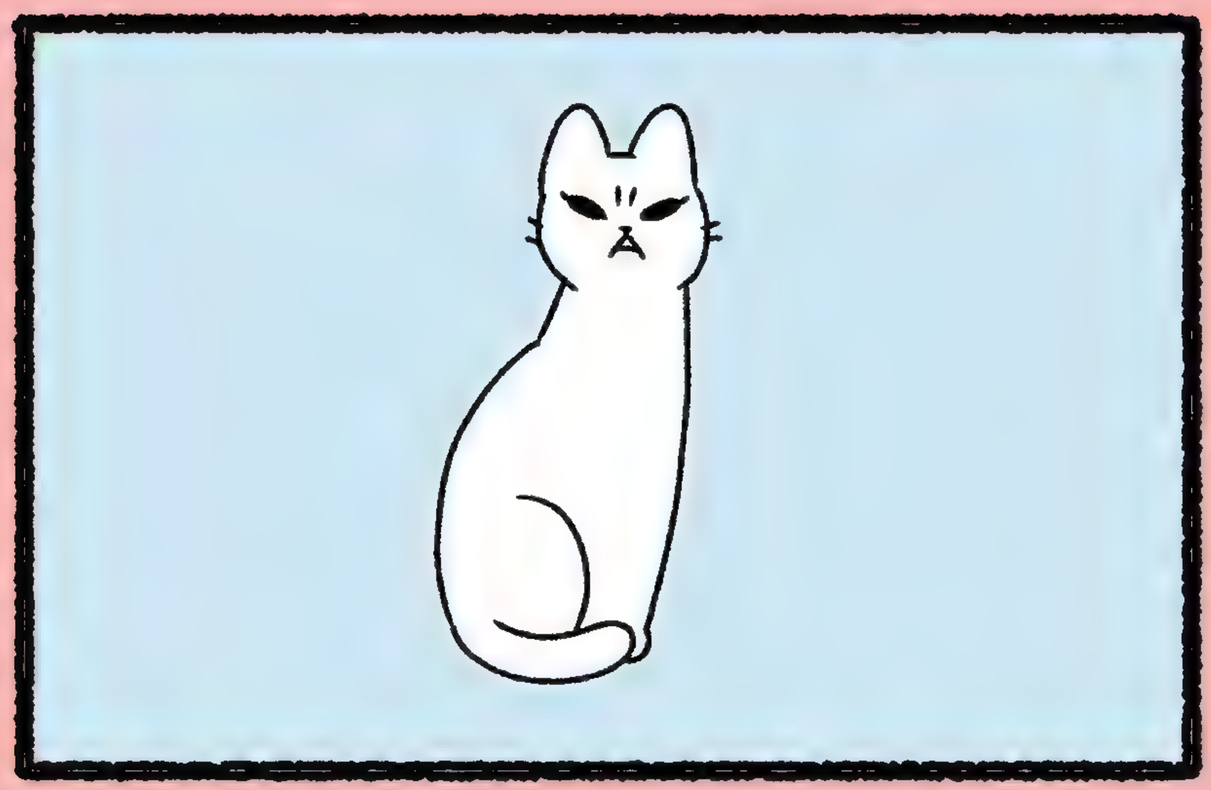


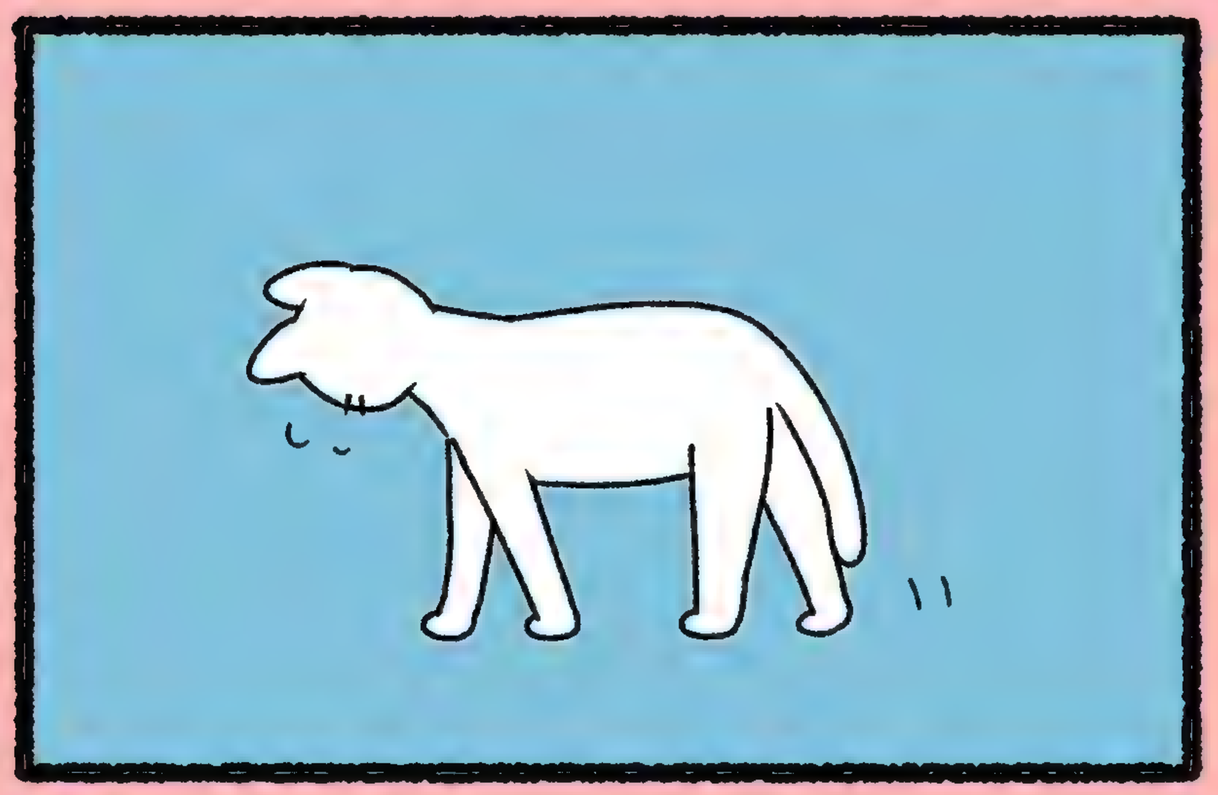

GOOD NIGHT, YUKI.




STARE...

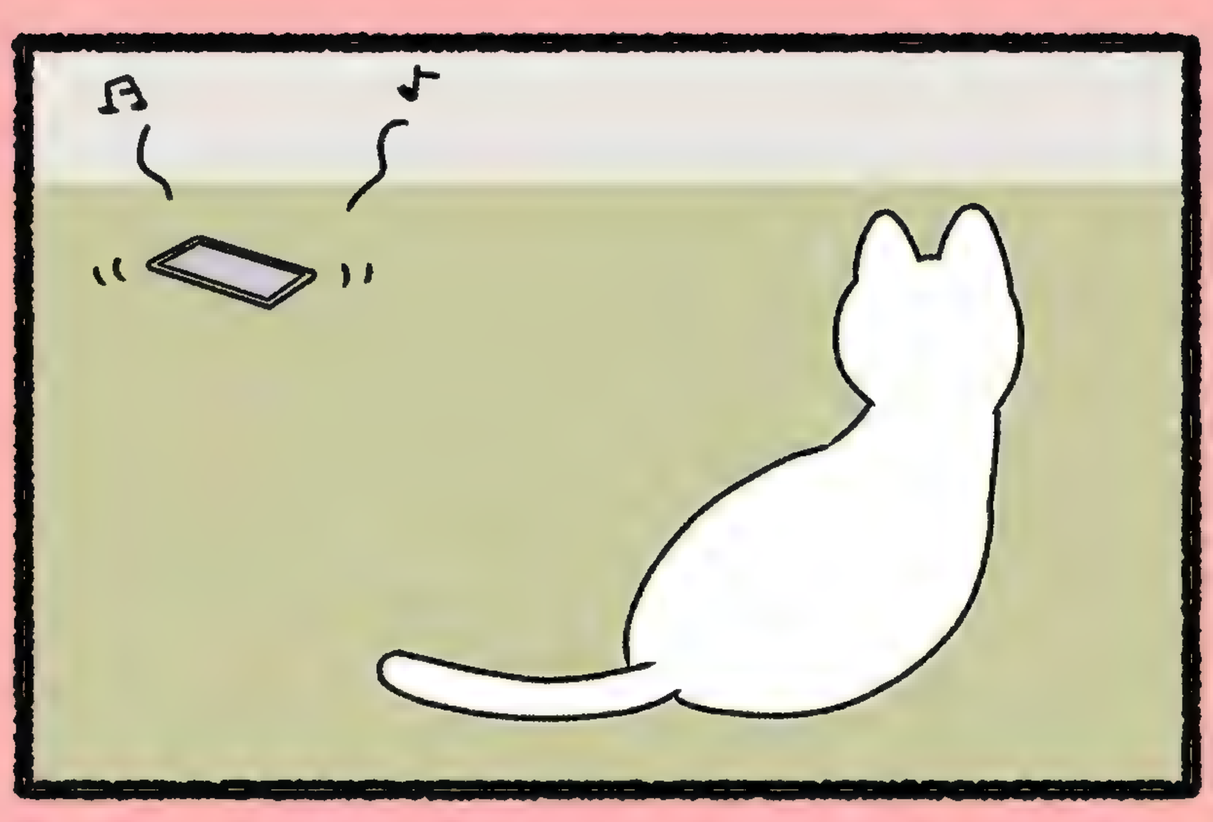

STAAARE...
IT'S HARD TO SLEEP...

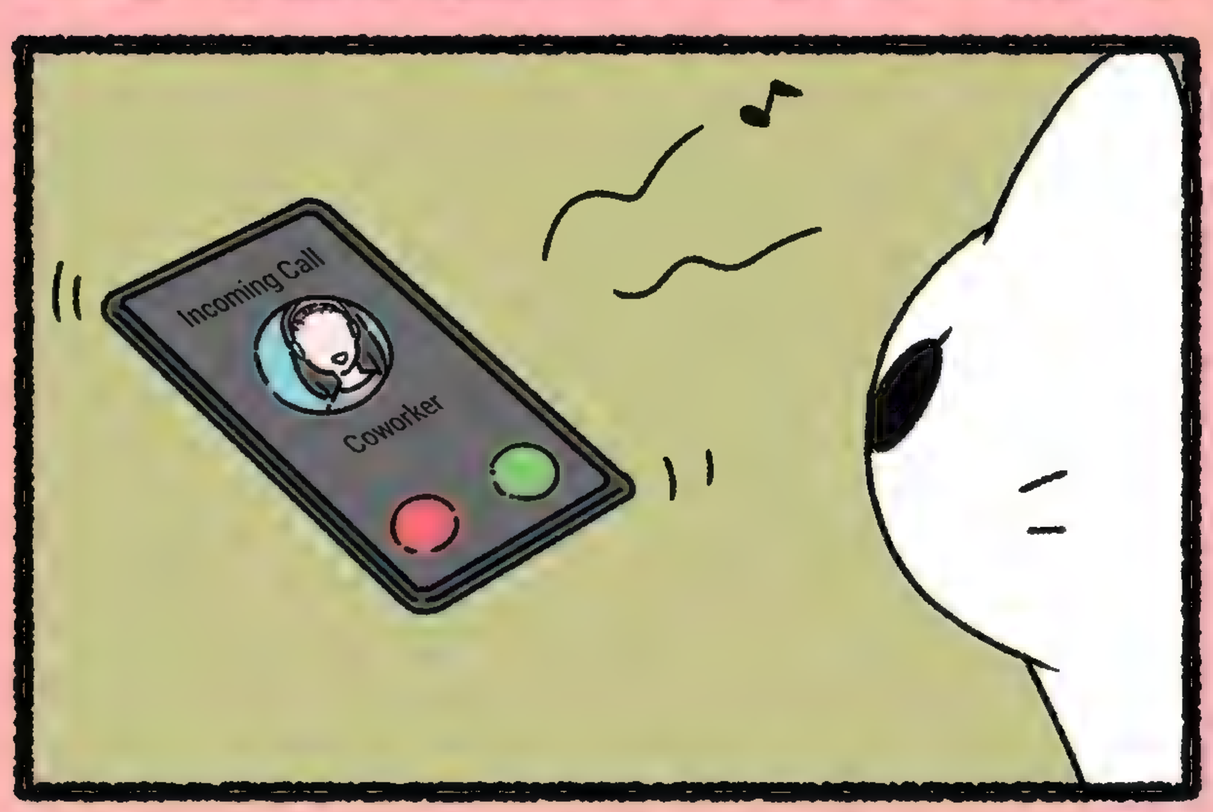


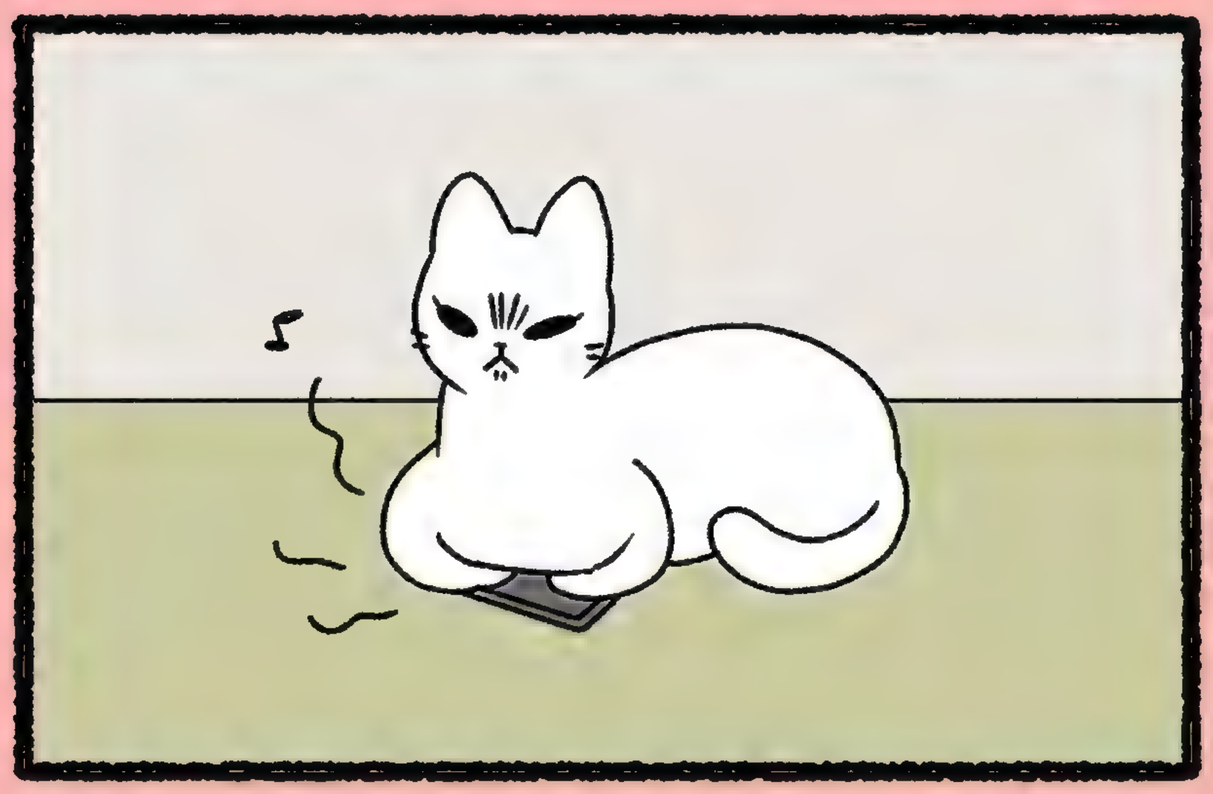


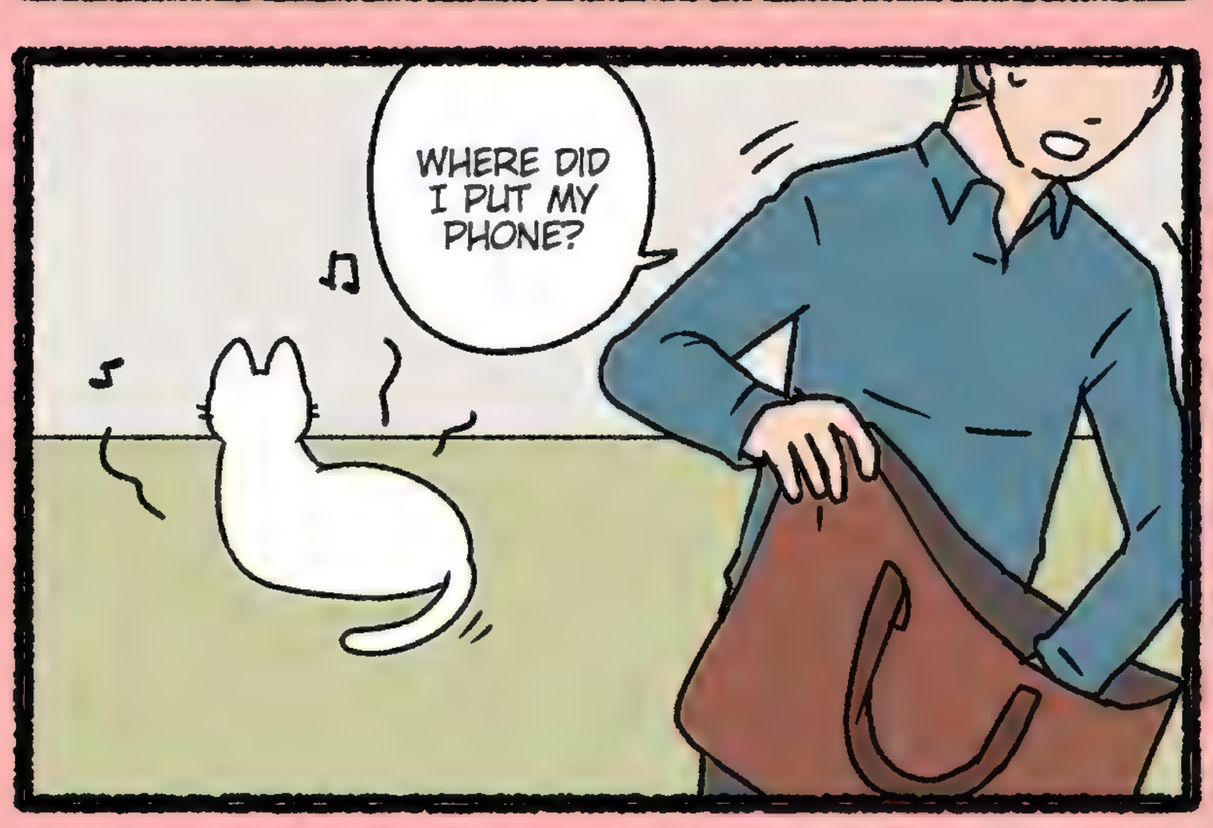


I'M ONLY TAKING CARE OF THE KITTEN FOR ONE DAY!




Incoming Call
Coworker




WHERE DID I PUT MY PHONE?





Hyakume

Hundred Eyes

Because of its many eyes, it's unhappy in bright light. It seems to be able to perceive its surroundings even when its eyes are closed.

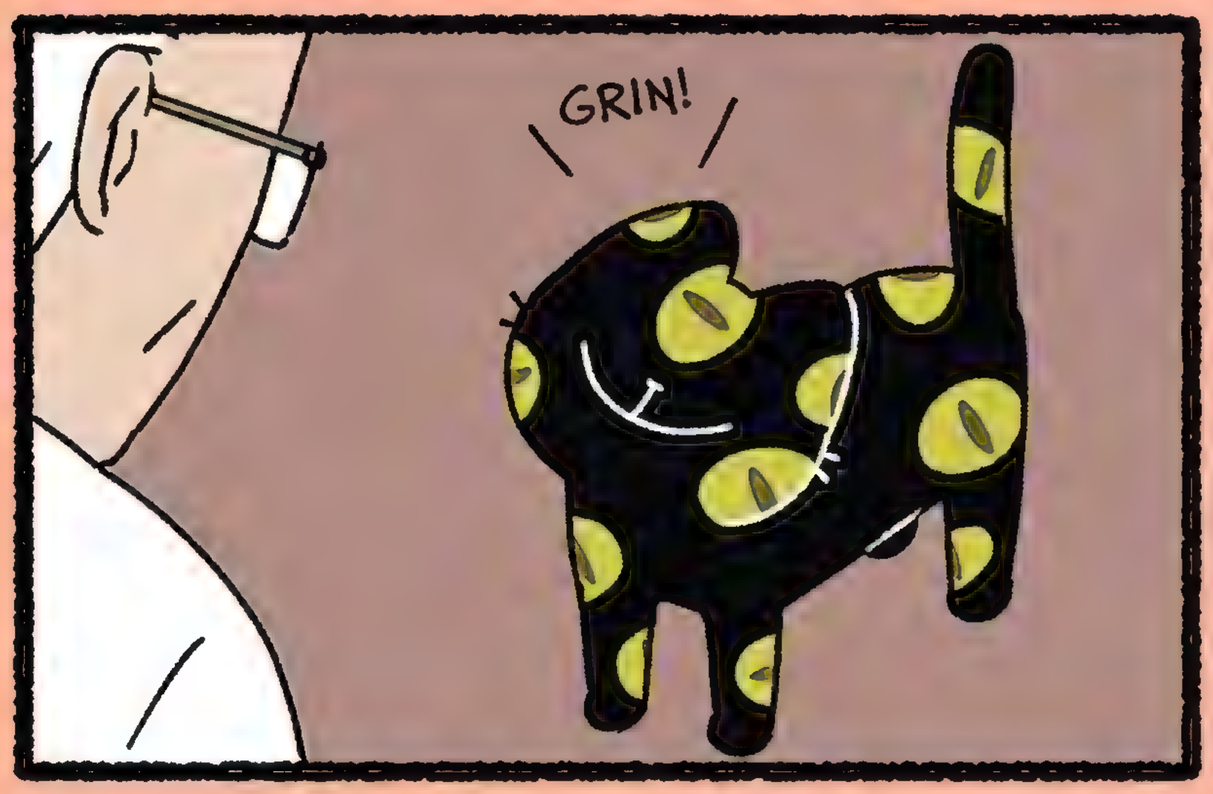








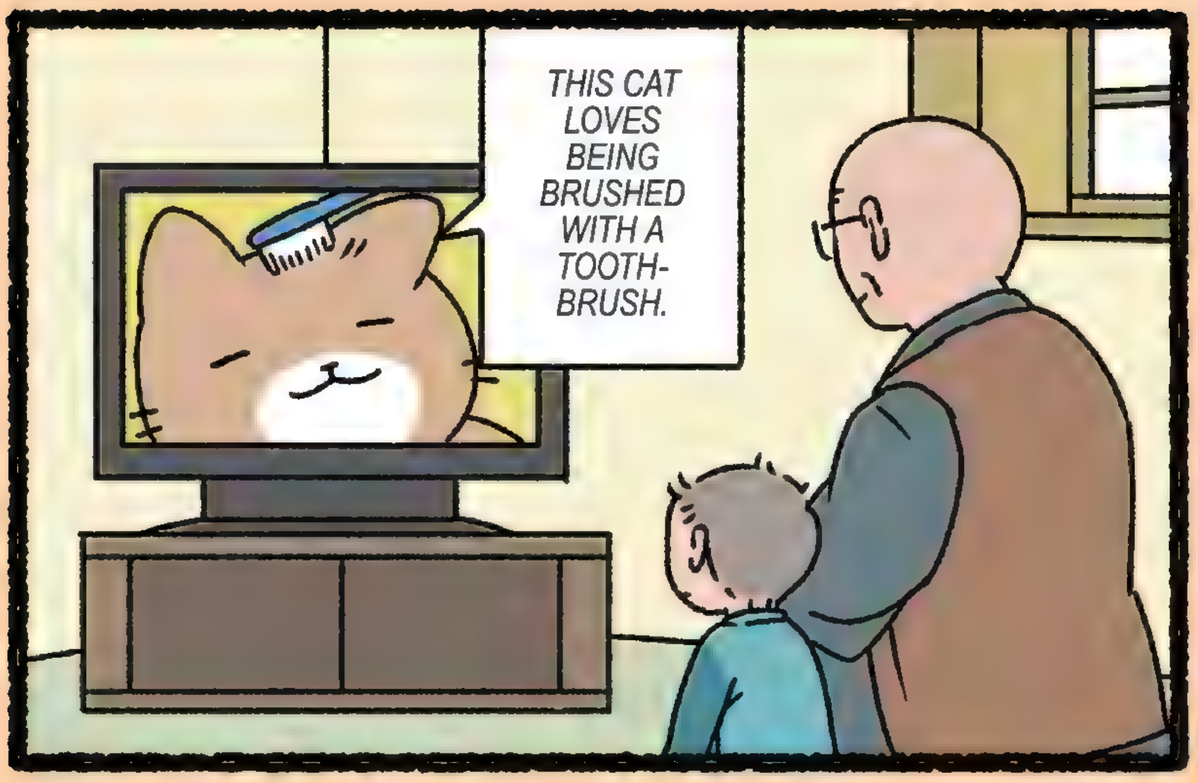

YOU CAN'T SEE MANY STARS IN THE CITY, HUH?


GRIN!


KURO.
THANK YOU...

Tengu

Has small, dark wings on its back but gets around on foot.





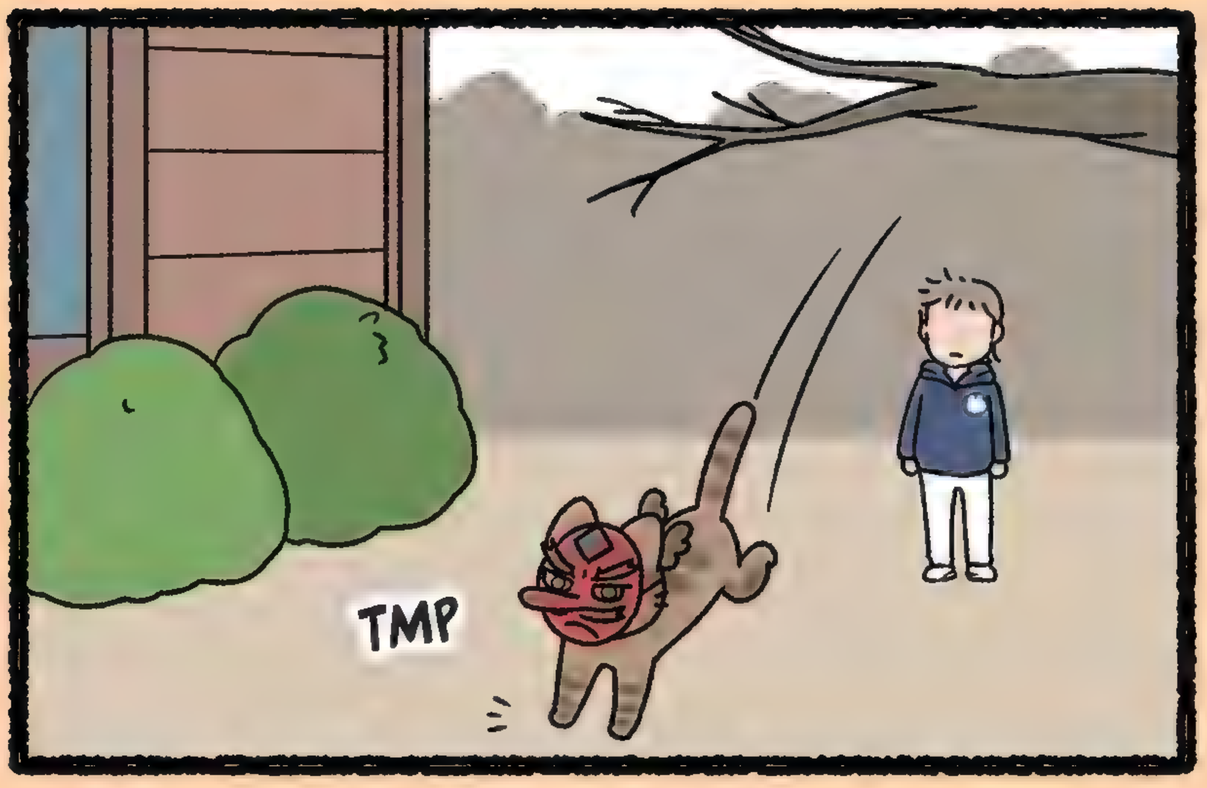


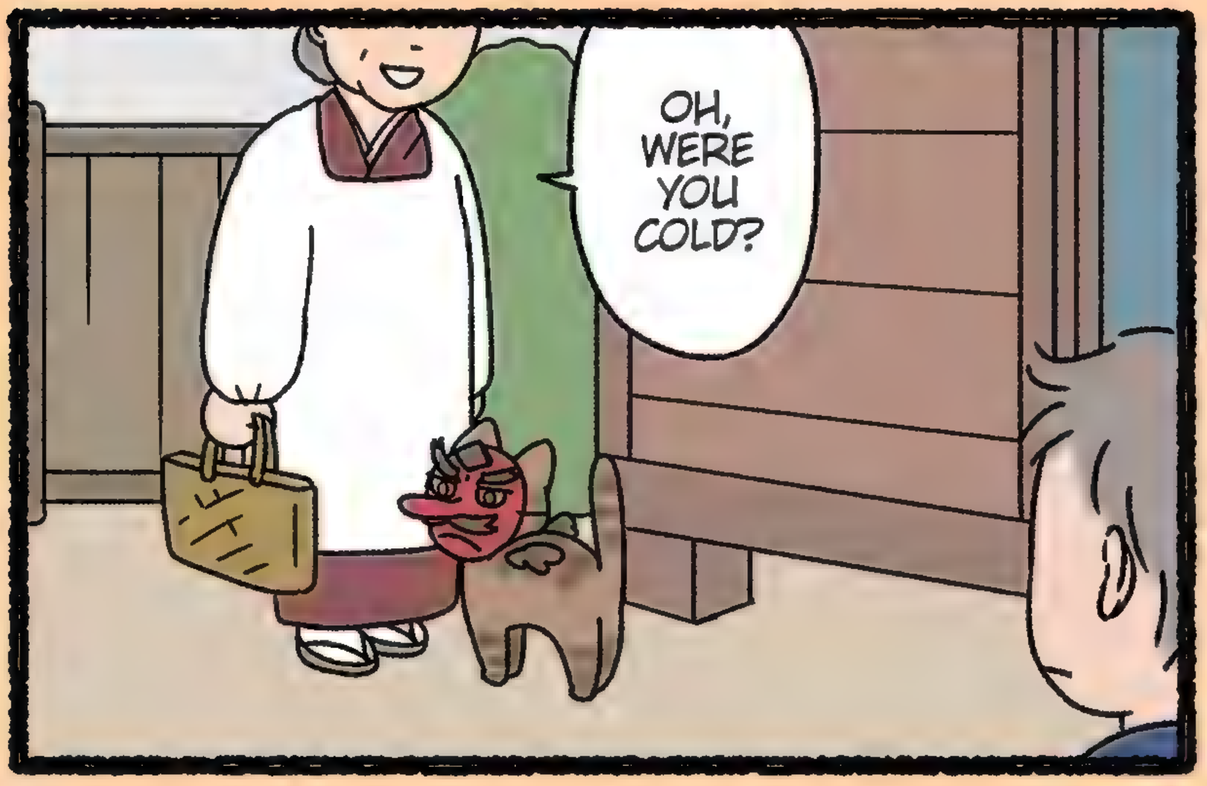





WHOOSH


IS KURAMA CON-TROLLING THE WIND?


TMP


OH, WERE YOU COLD?


MAJESTIC


SWF


SLIP


MAJESTIC





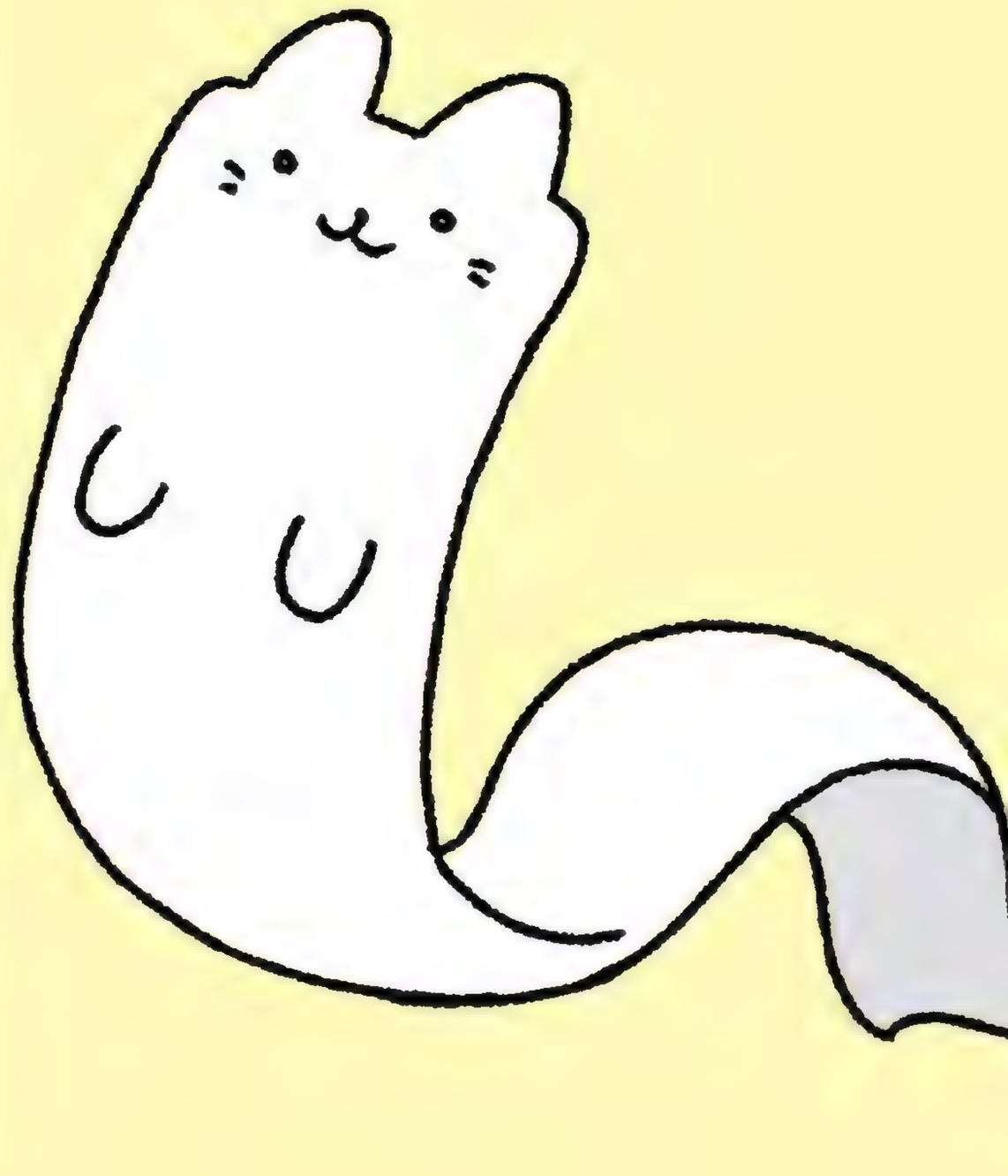


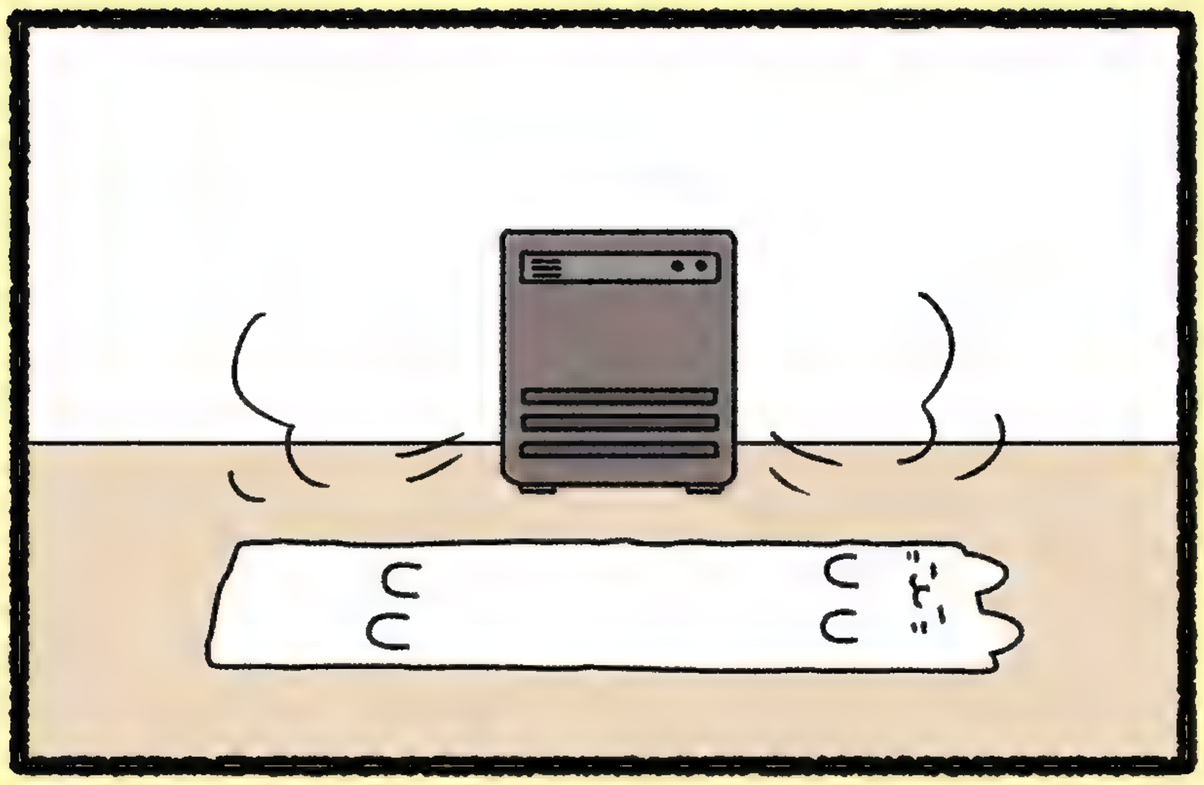


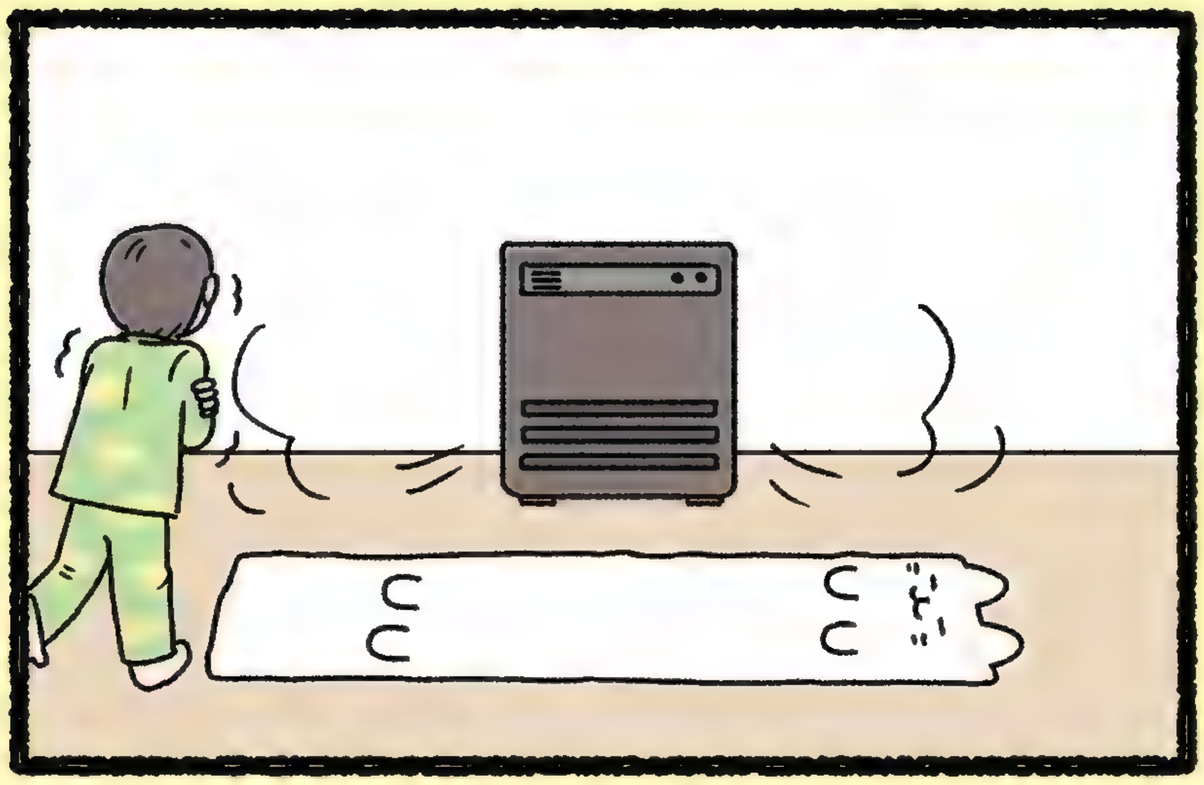
Ittan Momen

Long Cloth

Its thin, soft body makes the perfect scarf! It feels like you're hugging each other.

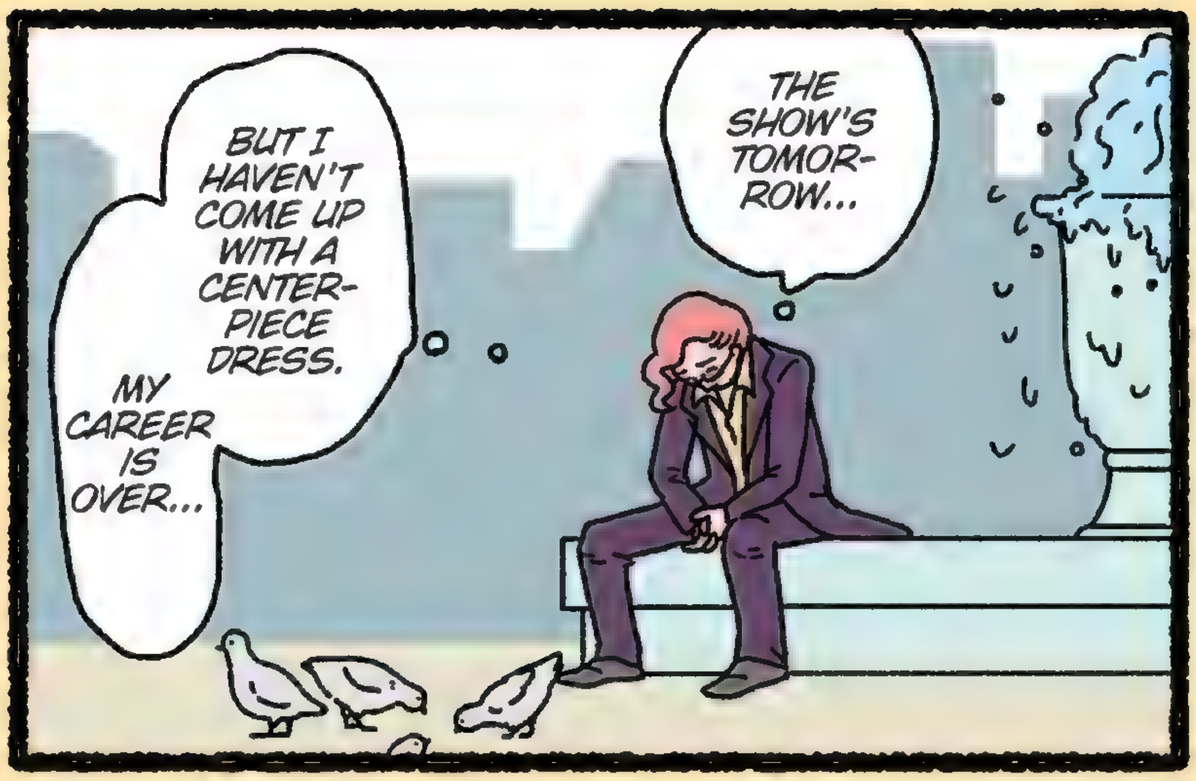




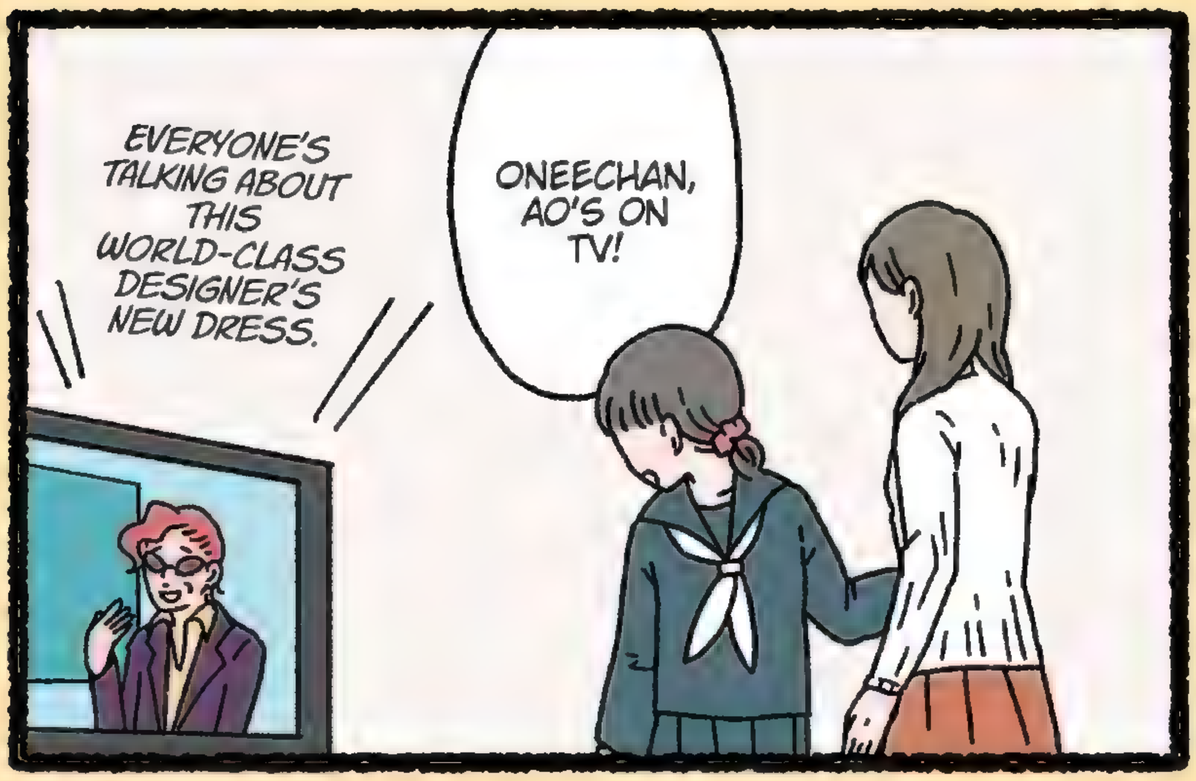


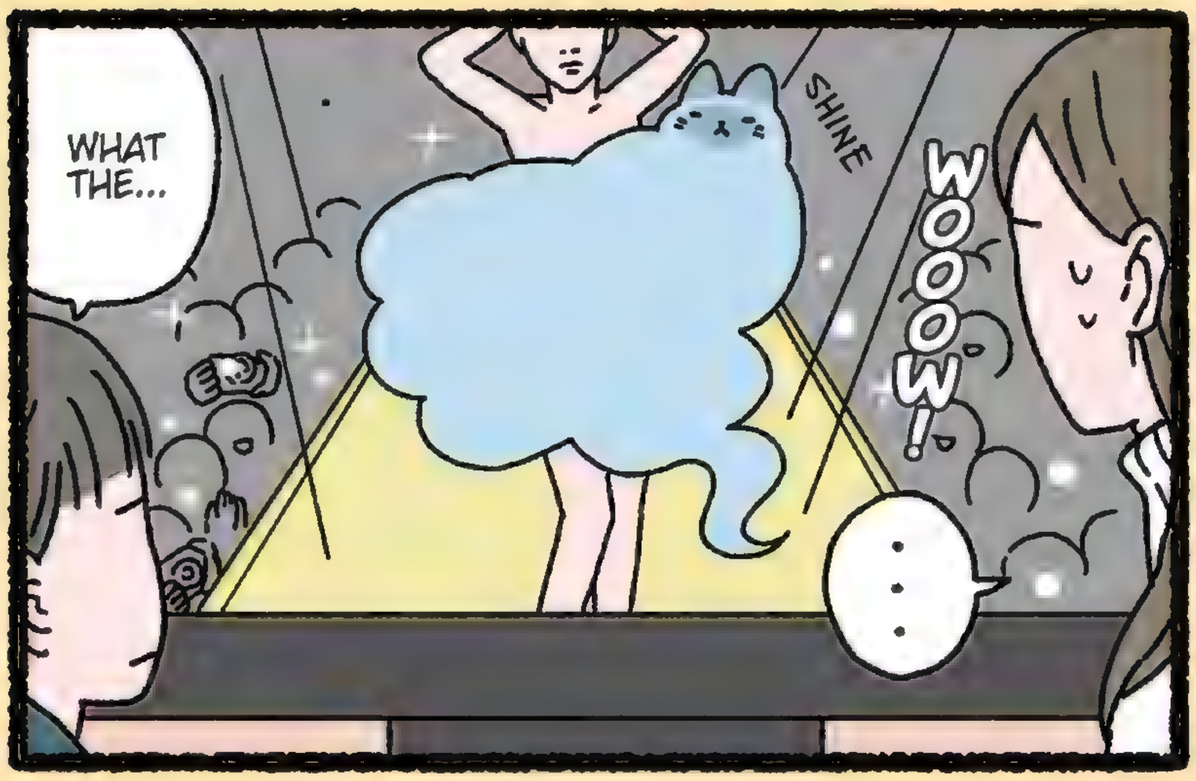

SO WARM!


TAKE HER OFF WHEN YOU EAT.









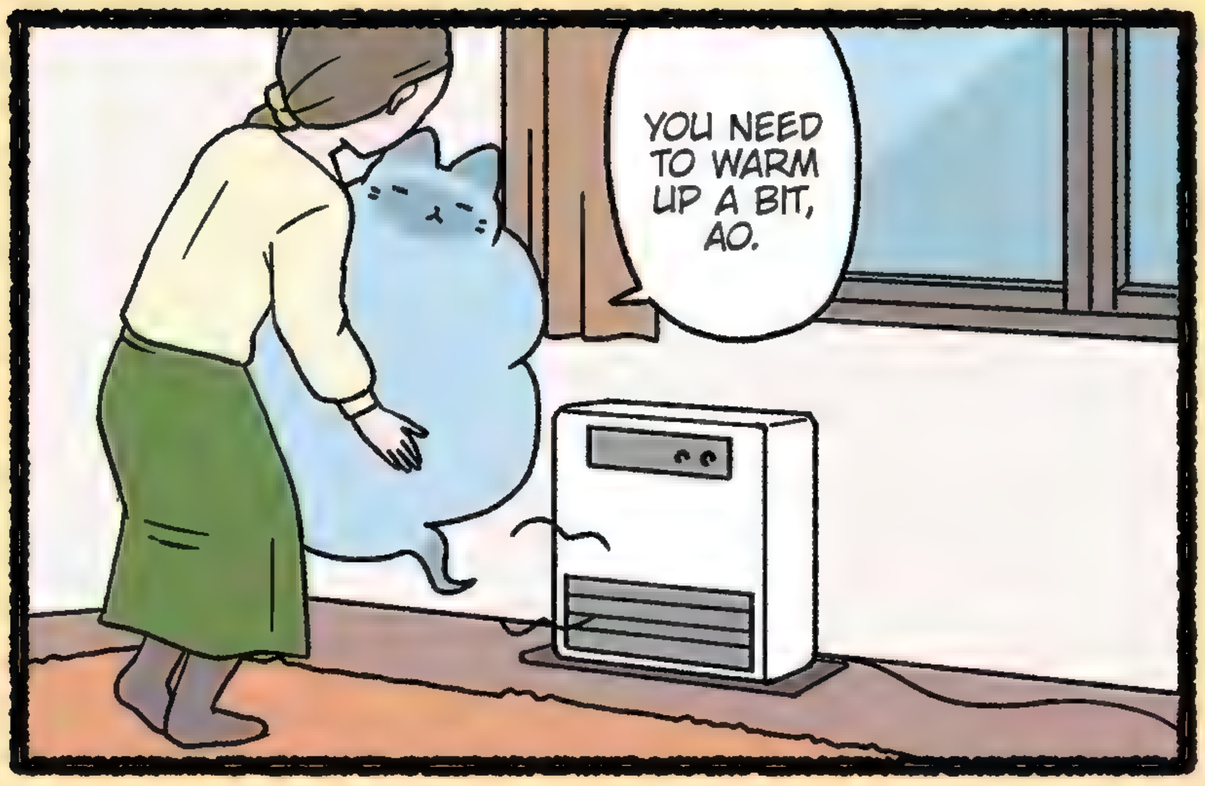
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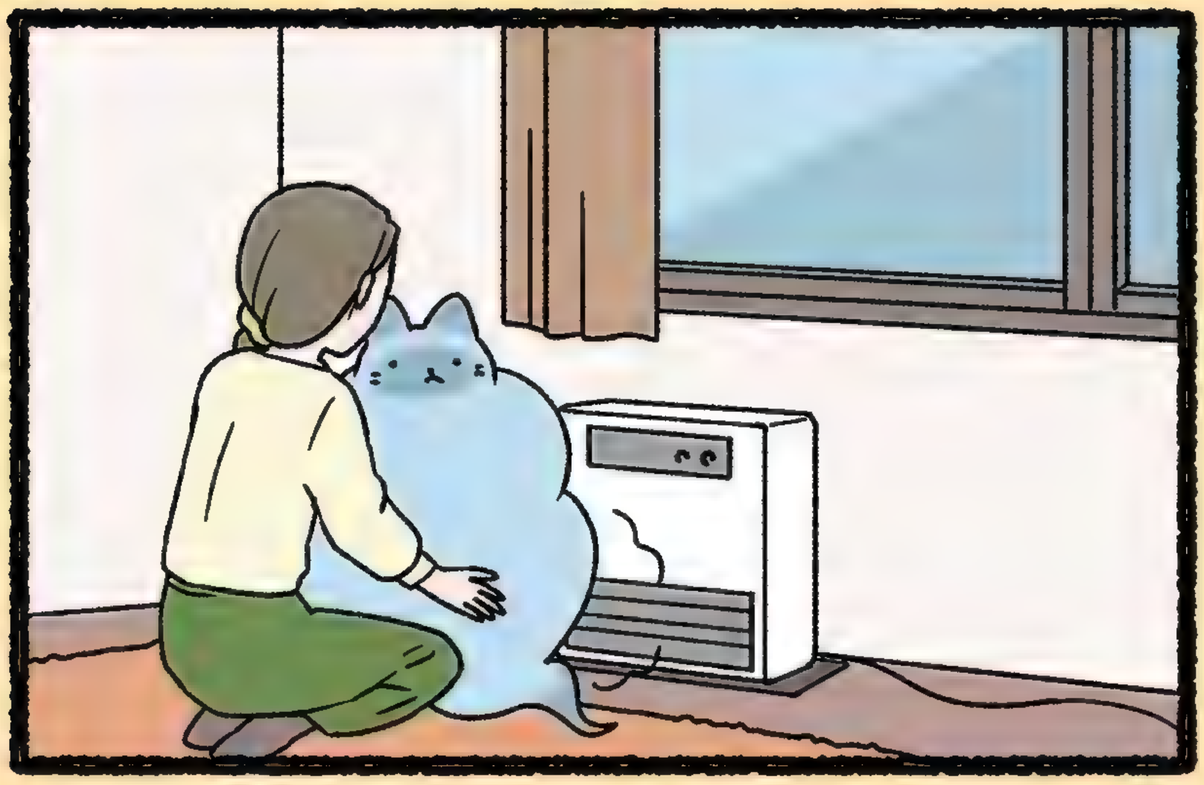
Smoke Spirit

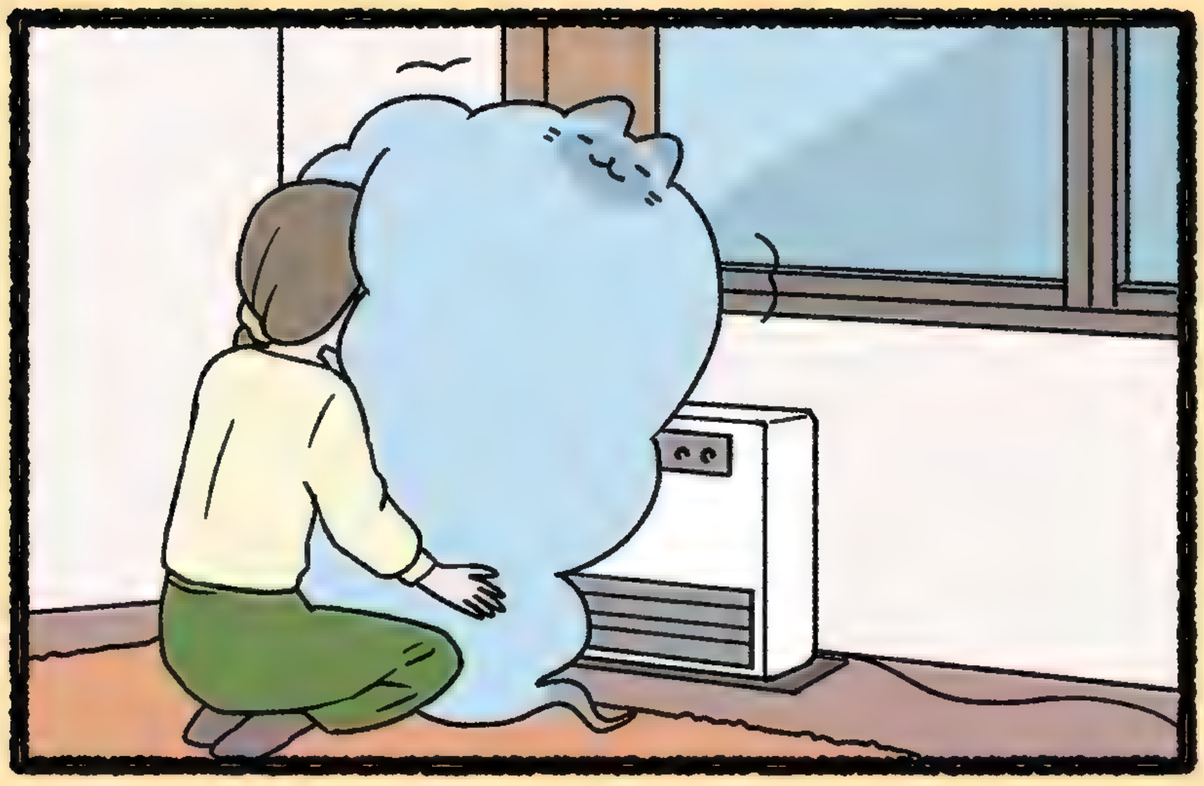
Odors stick easily to its smoke-like body. It often comes home smelling like grilled chicken or curry.

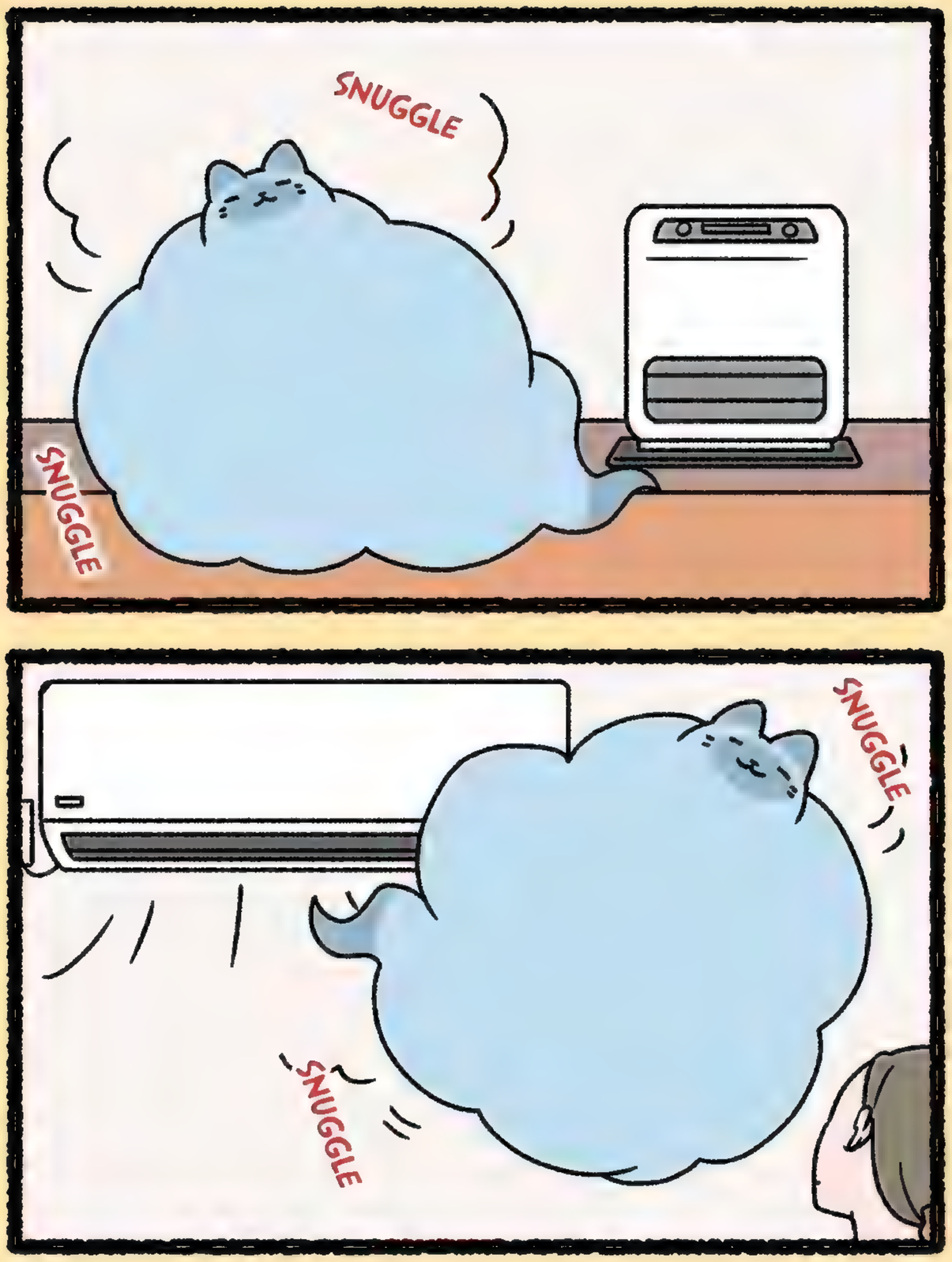



CHILL
COLD!


YOU NEED TO WARM UP A BIT, AO.

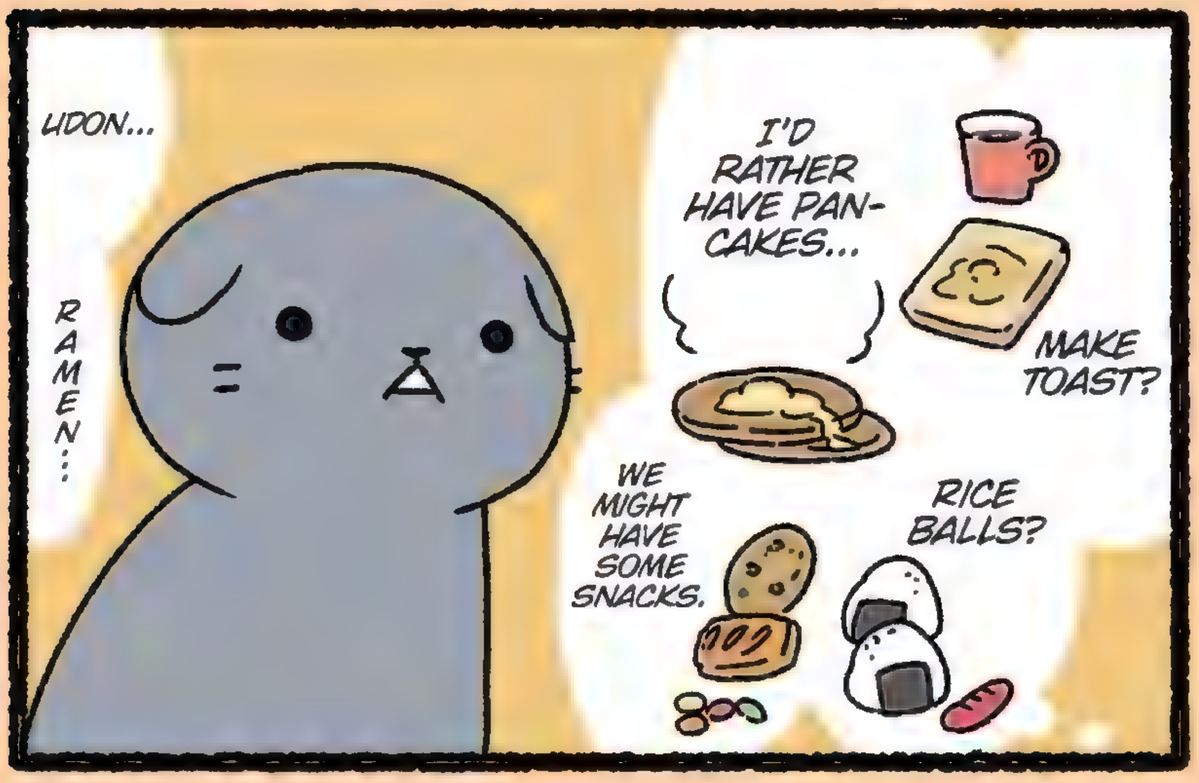





SNUGGLE
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BUBBLE
BUBBLE
AO!
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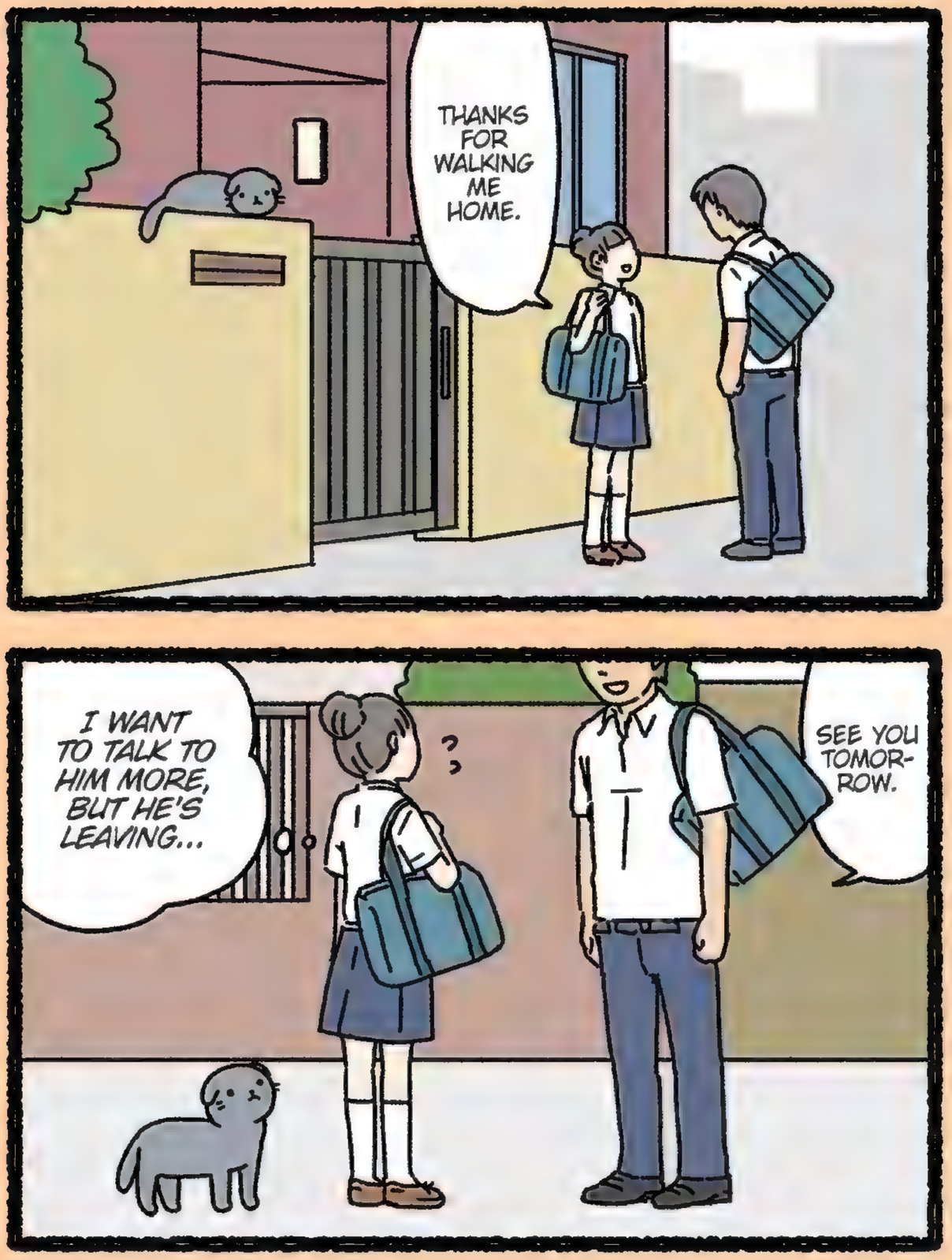


Satori

Mind Reader

Can read people's minds and feelings and has a habit of doing things pre-emptively.

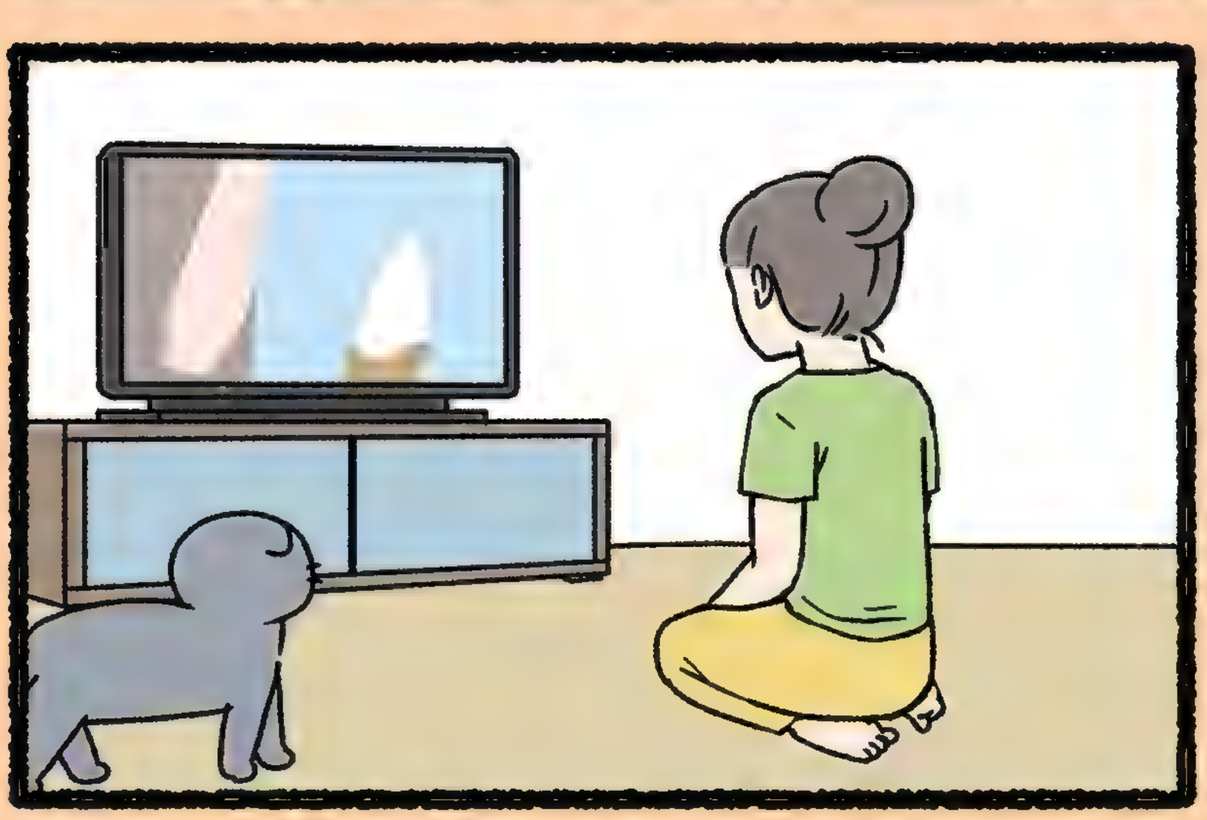



THANKS FOR WALKING ME HOME.
I WANT TO TALK TO HIM MORE, BUT HE'S LEAVING...
?
SEE YOU TOMOR-ROW.
HEY, GRAY!
IT SAT ON MY FOOT.

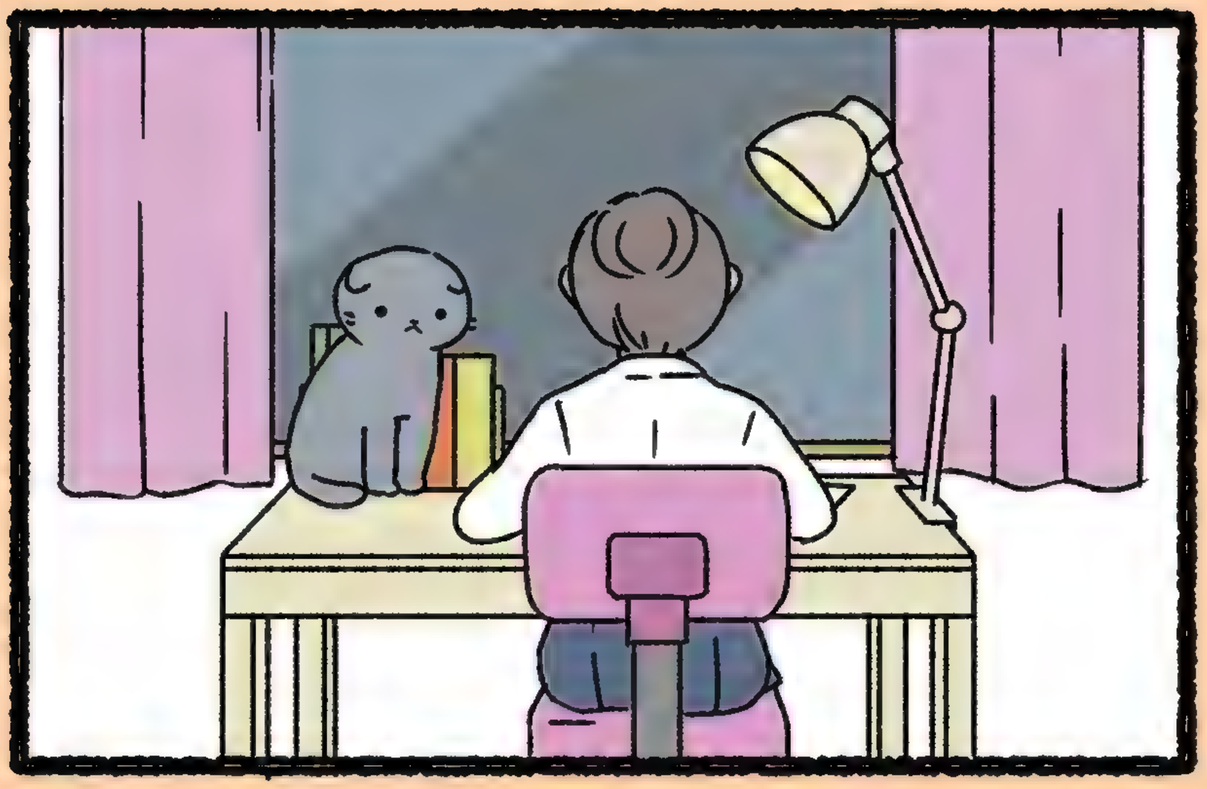

OUR GRAY IS SO CUTE!
GRAY IS CUTER THAN THE CAT IN THIS COMMER-CIAL.
GRAY'S THE CUTEST CAT IN THE WORLD!
GRAY'S SLEEPING! HOW CUTE!
. . . !
?

I NEED TO GO ON A DIET.


MAYBE I'LL HAVE SOME ICE CREAM.
.
.
.



NOW I CAN'T GO GET IT.




UMM...
I'M SO BAD AT MATH.


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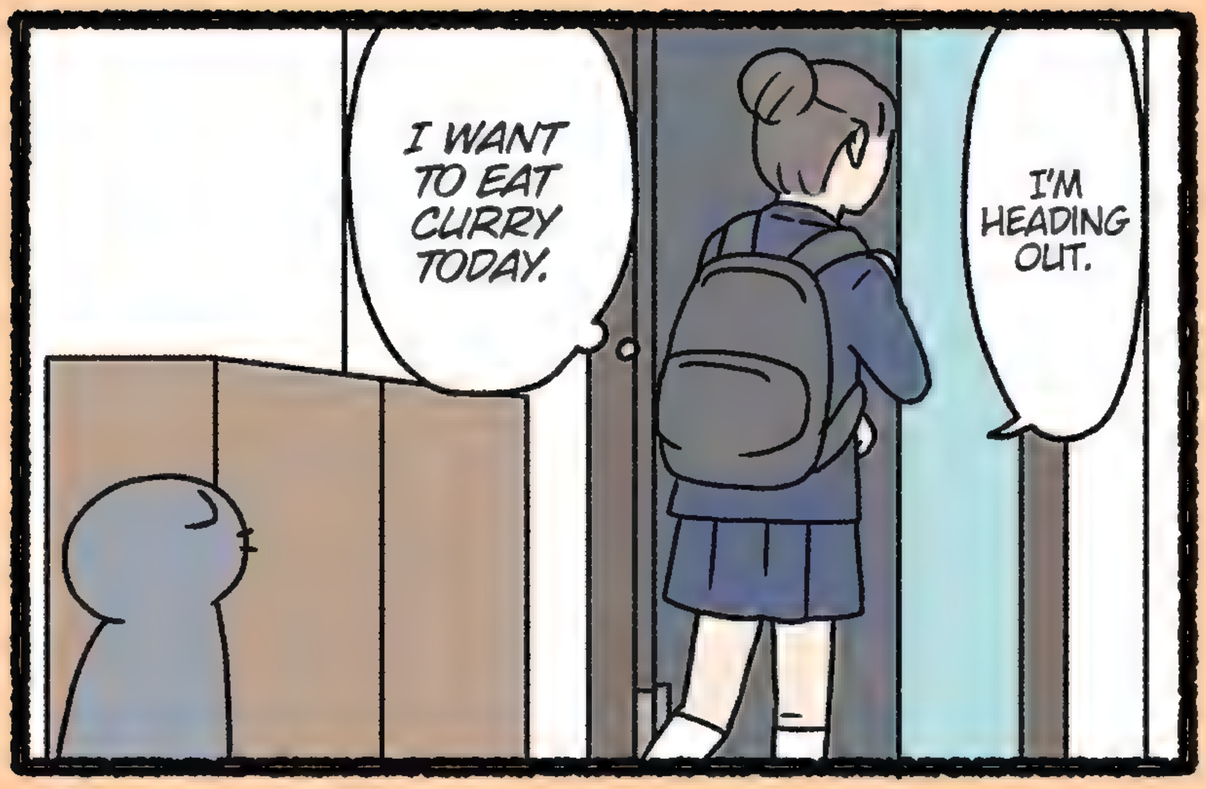

OH, I GOT IT!

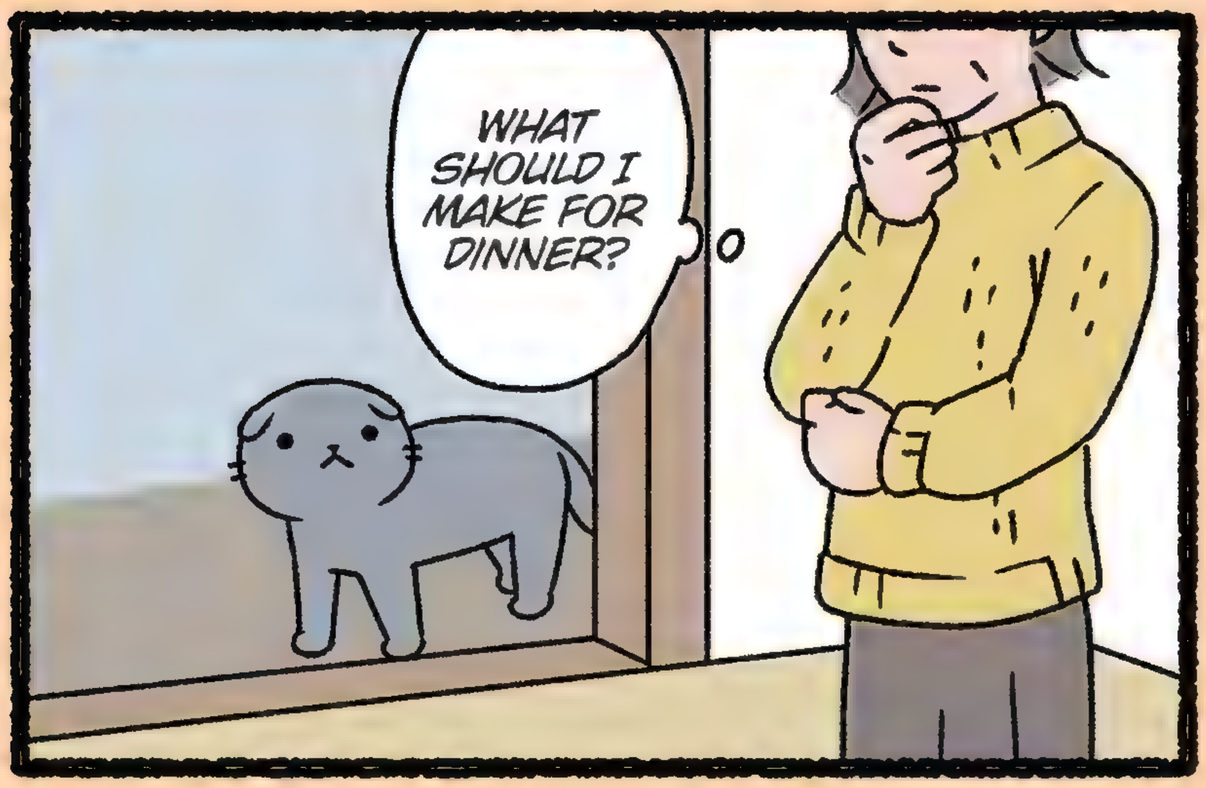



THAT HORROR MOVIE WAS SCARY.


AND THEN WAS STUCK TO THE BACK OF THE DOOR...
AND SHE SUDDENLY FELL FROM THE ROOF...
THERE WAS A GHOST OF AN OLD LADY IN THE WALL...

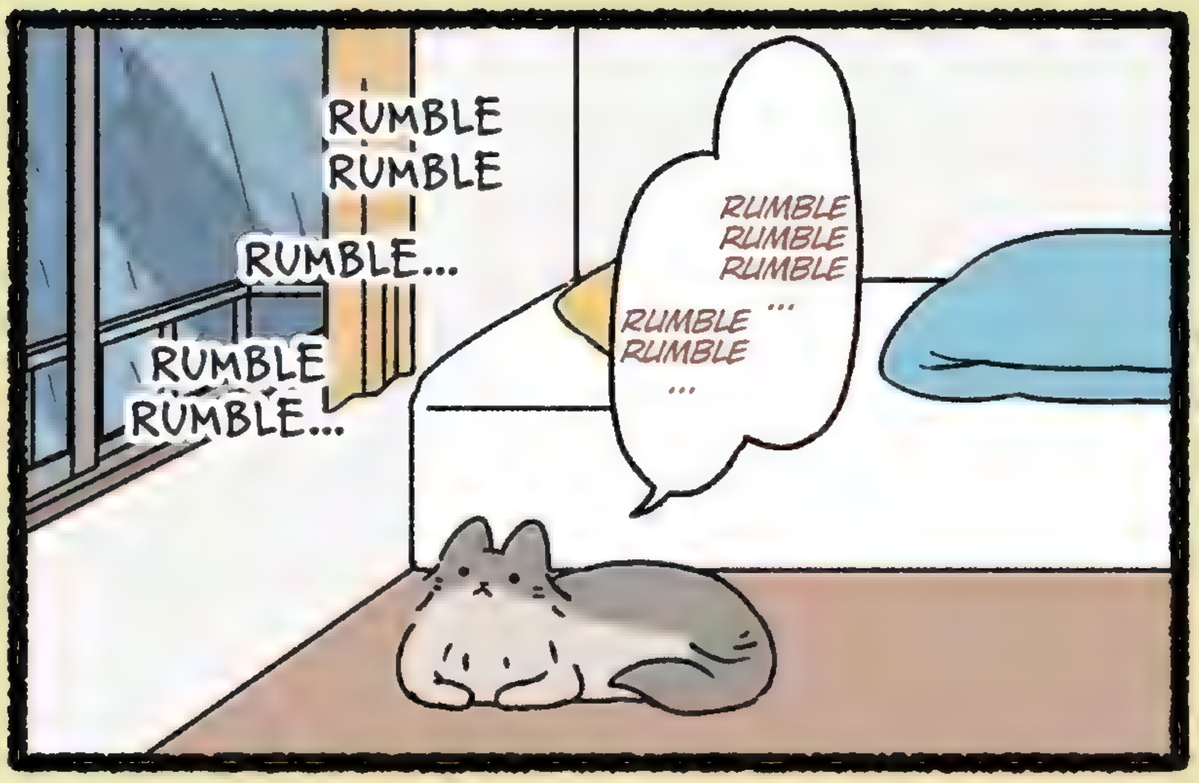

WHAT'S WRONG, GRAY?

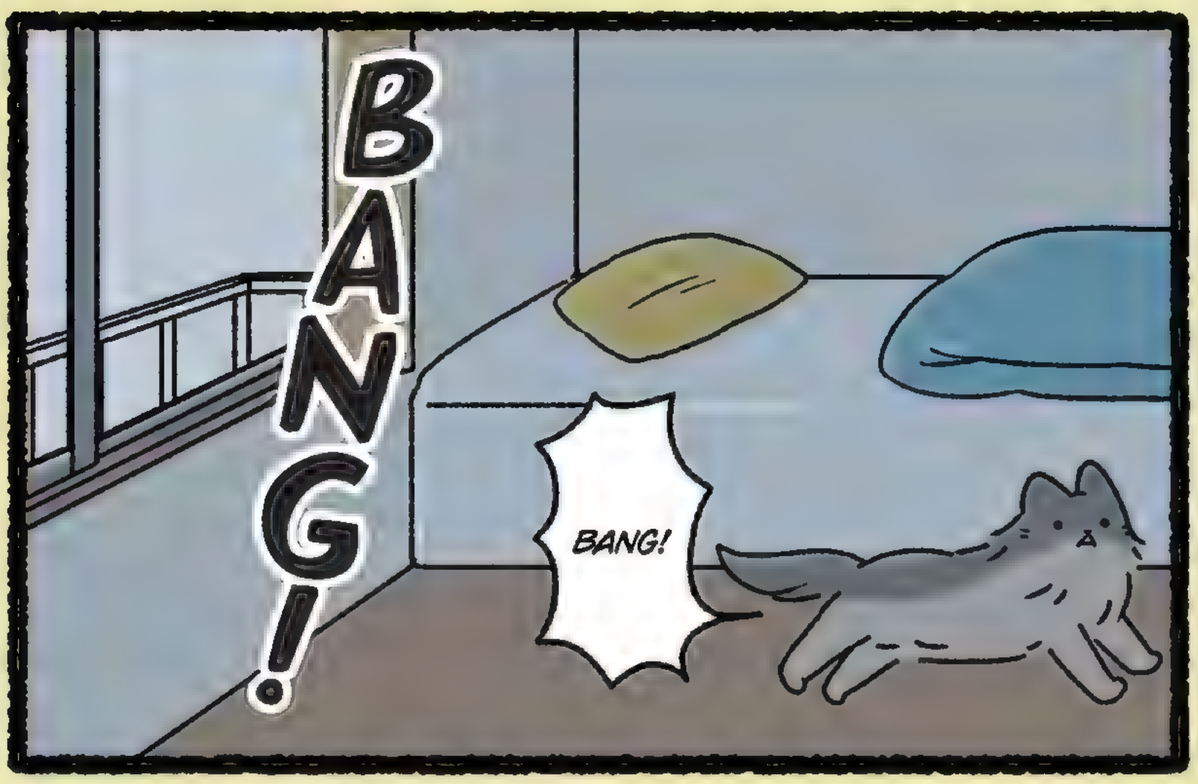

I WANT TO EAT CURRY TODAY.
I'M HEADING OUT.


WHAT SHOULD I MAKE FOR DINNER?


Meow!
Curry Special


. . .
WHAT IS IT, GRAY? YOU WANT A HUG?

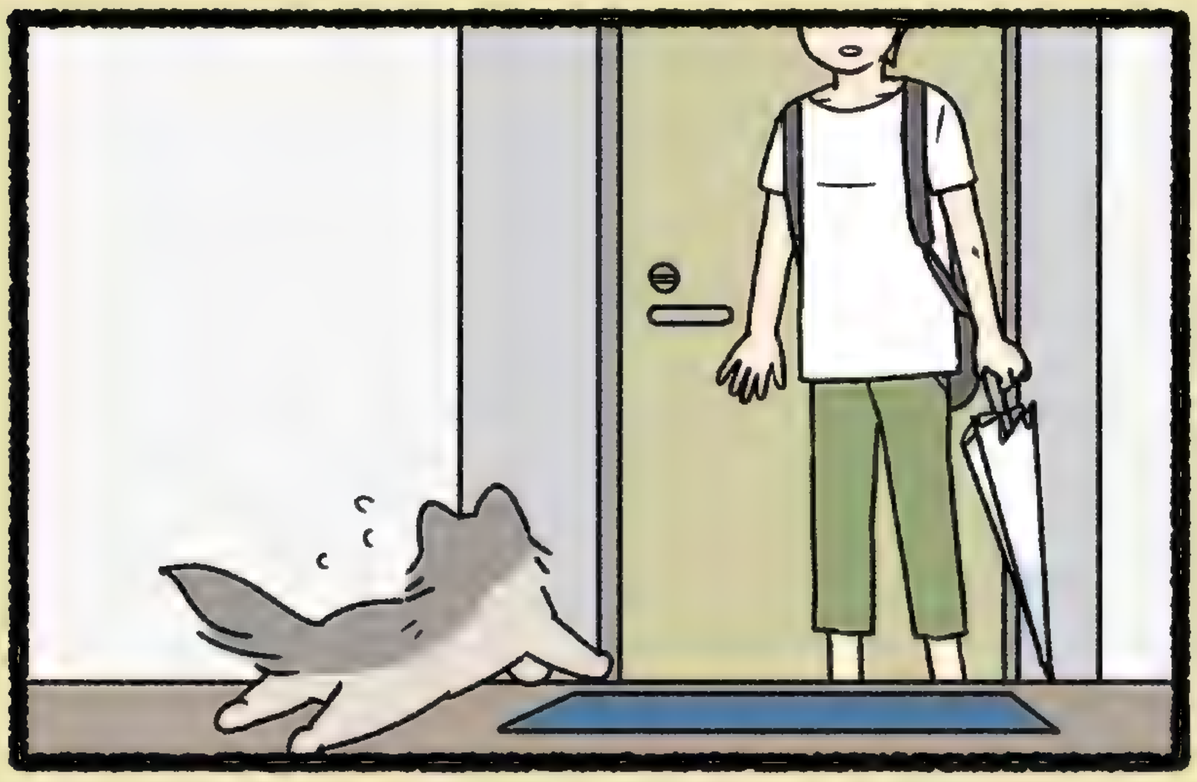




Yamabiko

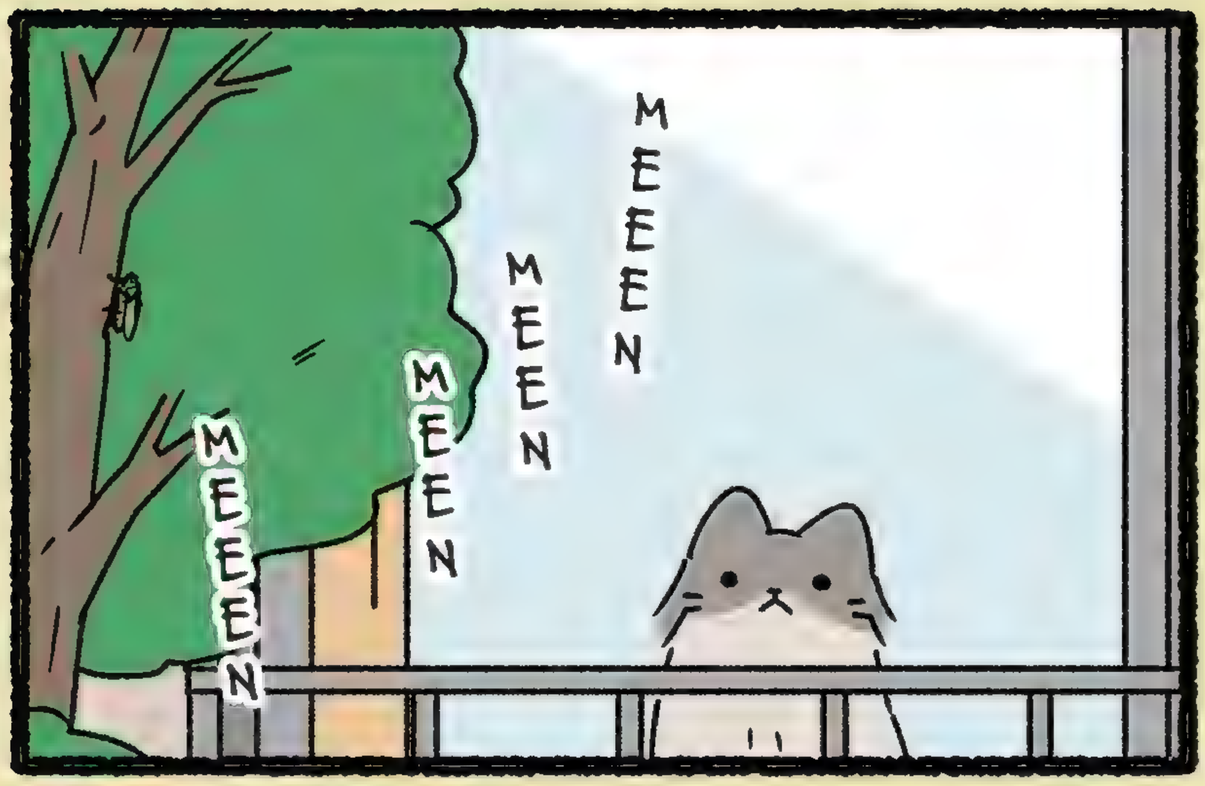
Mountain Echo

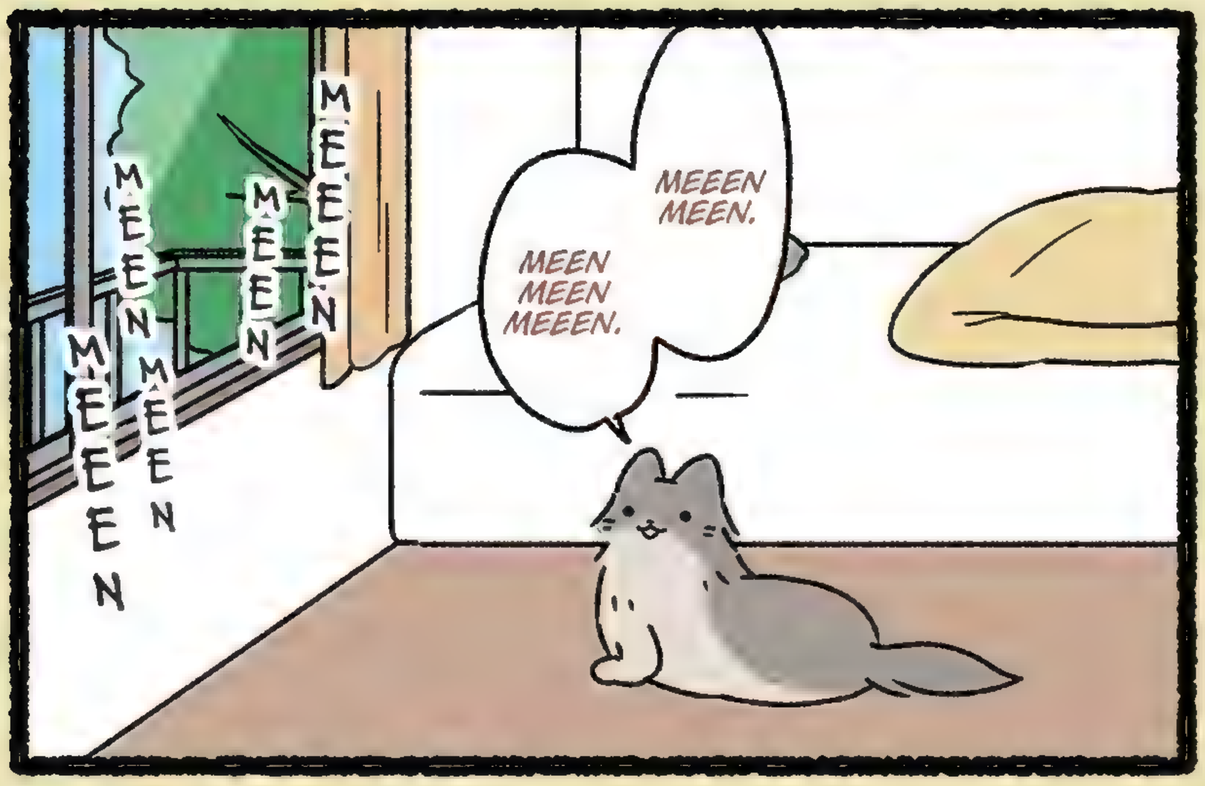
Loves its owner and imitates what they say, thinking it's having a conversation with them.





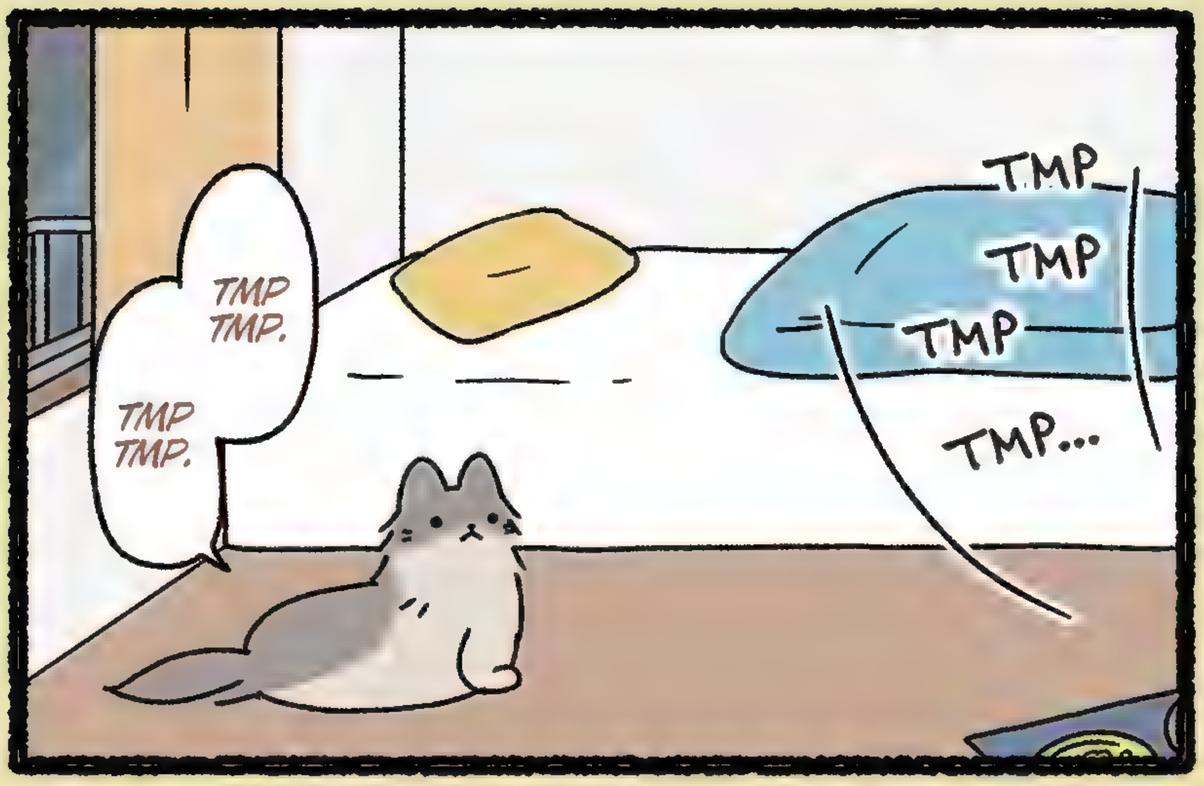


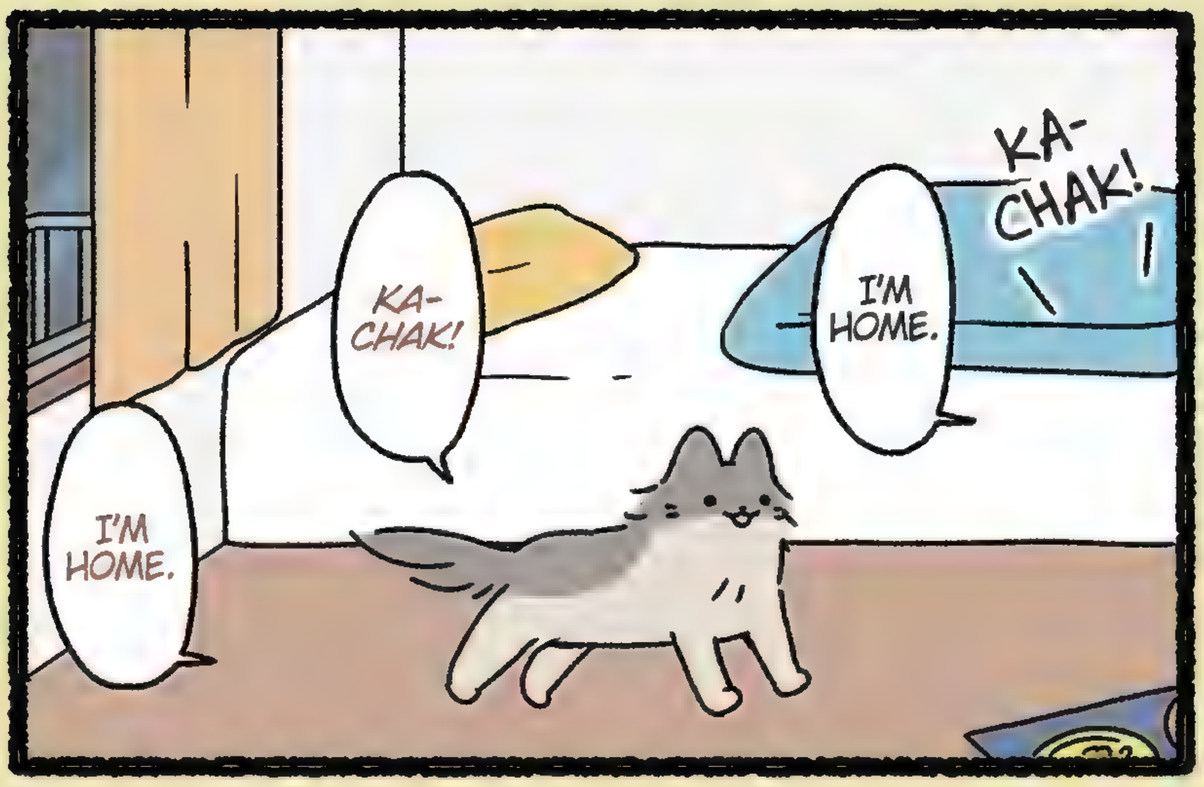

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MEEN
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MEEEN.


KANA...
KANA
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KANA
KANA...


RIRIRIRI
RIRI...
RIRIRI...
RIRIRI-
RIRIRI...
RIRIRI...


TMP
TMP
TMP
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KA-
CHAK!
I'M
HOME.
KA-
CHAK!
I'M
HOME.

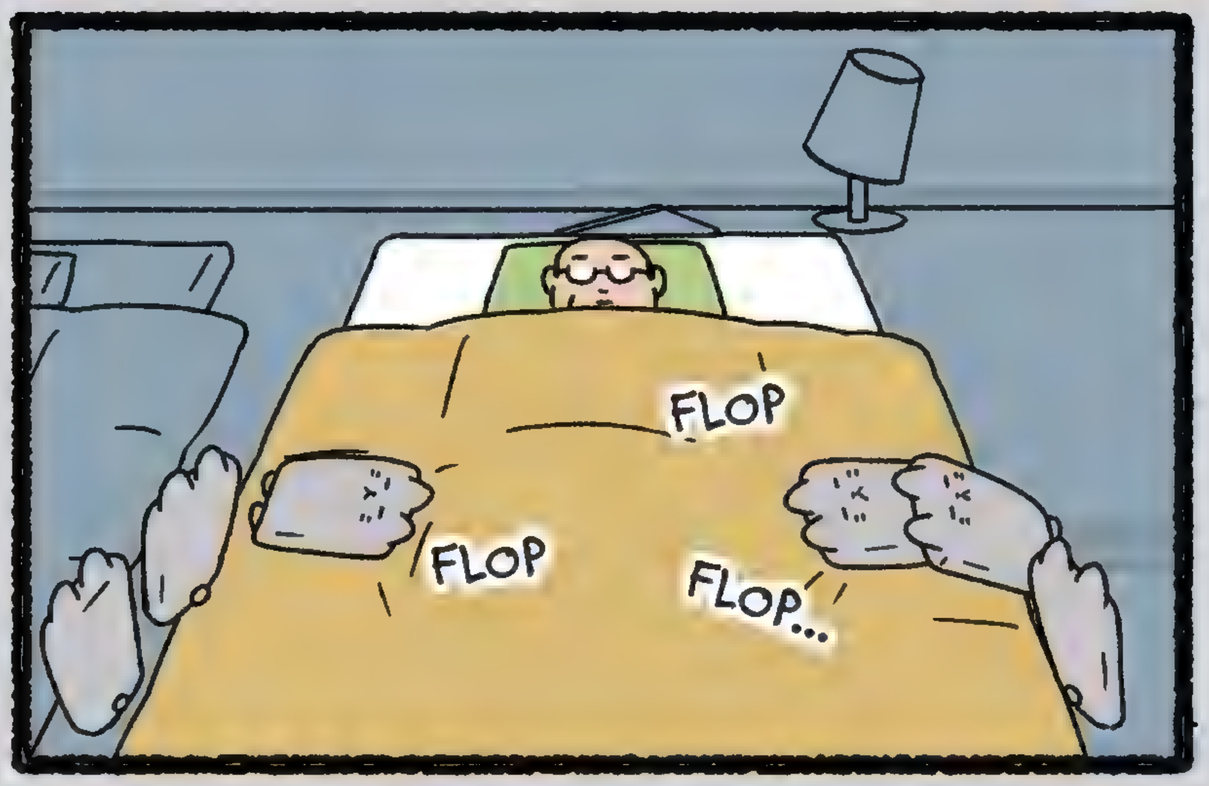

DID
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ME?
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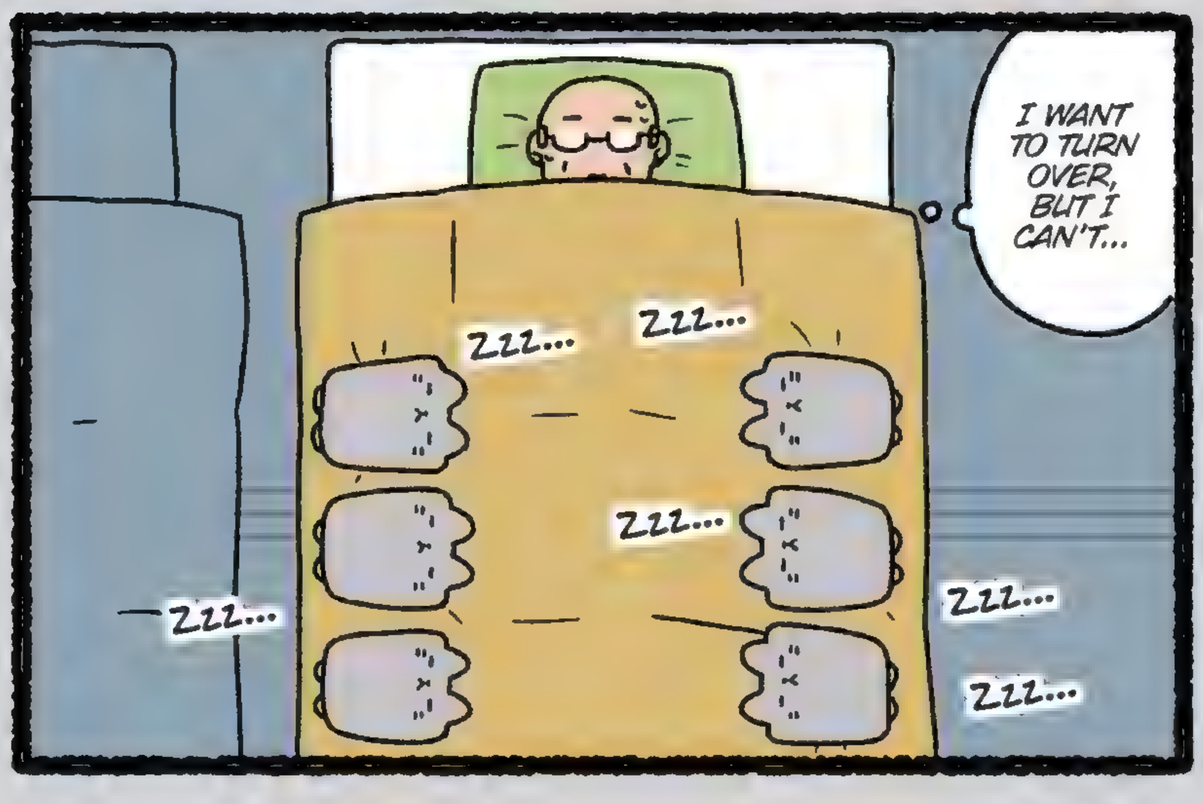

LET'S
HAVE
DINNER
NOW.
LET'S
HAVE
DINNER
NOW.
NOW!


BAKED SWEET POTATOES, GET 'EM WHILE THEY'RE HOT!
BAKED SWEET POTATOES, GET 'EM WHILE THEY'RE HOT!
I GOT A CRAVING FOR THEM.
I GOT A CRAVING FOR THEM.





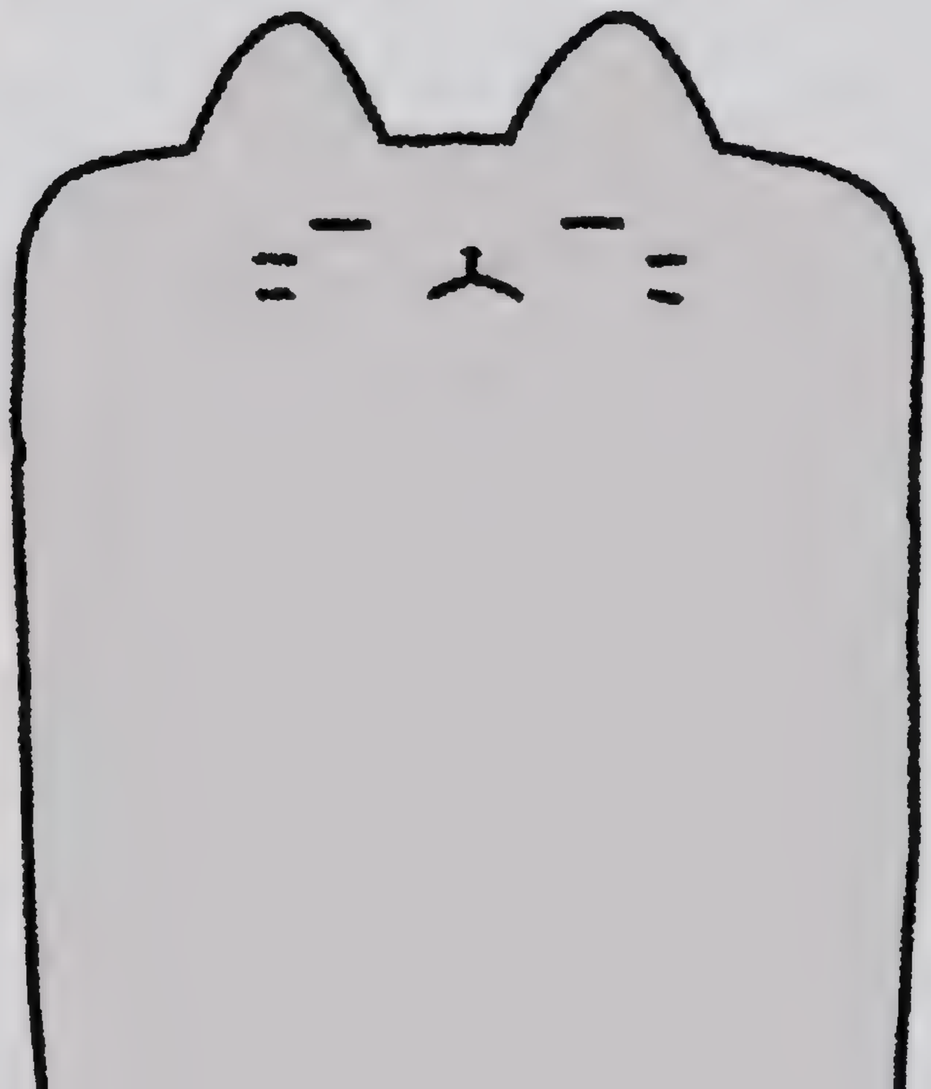




Nurikabe

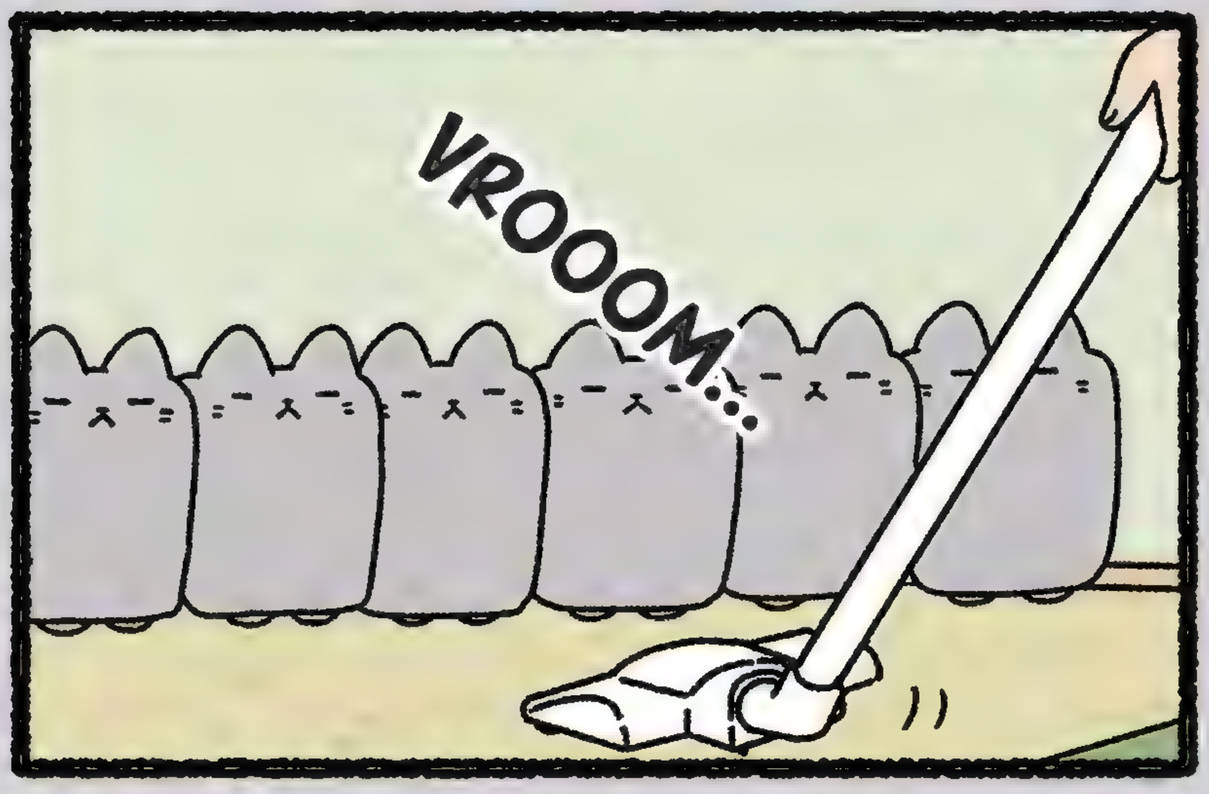
Plaster Wall

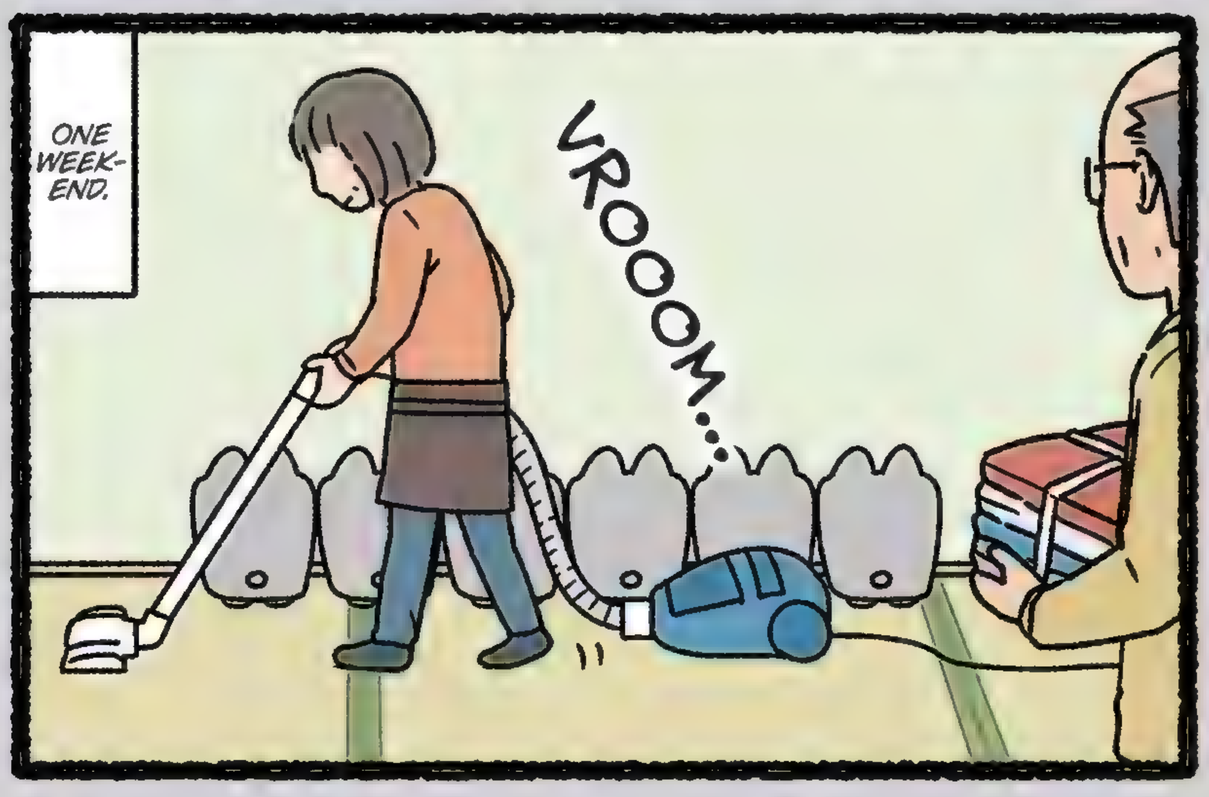
Large enough that you have to look up at it, and its thick body is covered in warm fur. Many people can't help but hug it when they're tired.



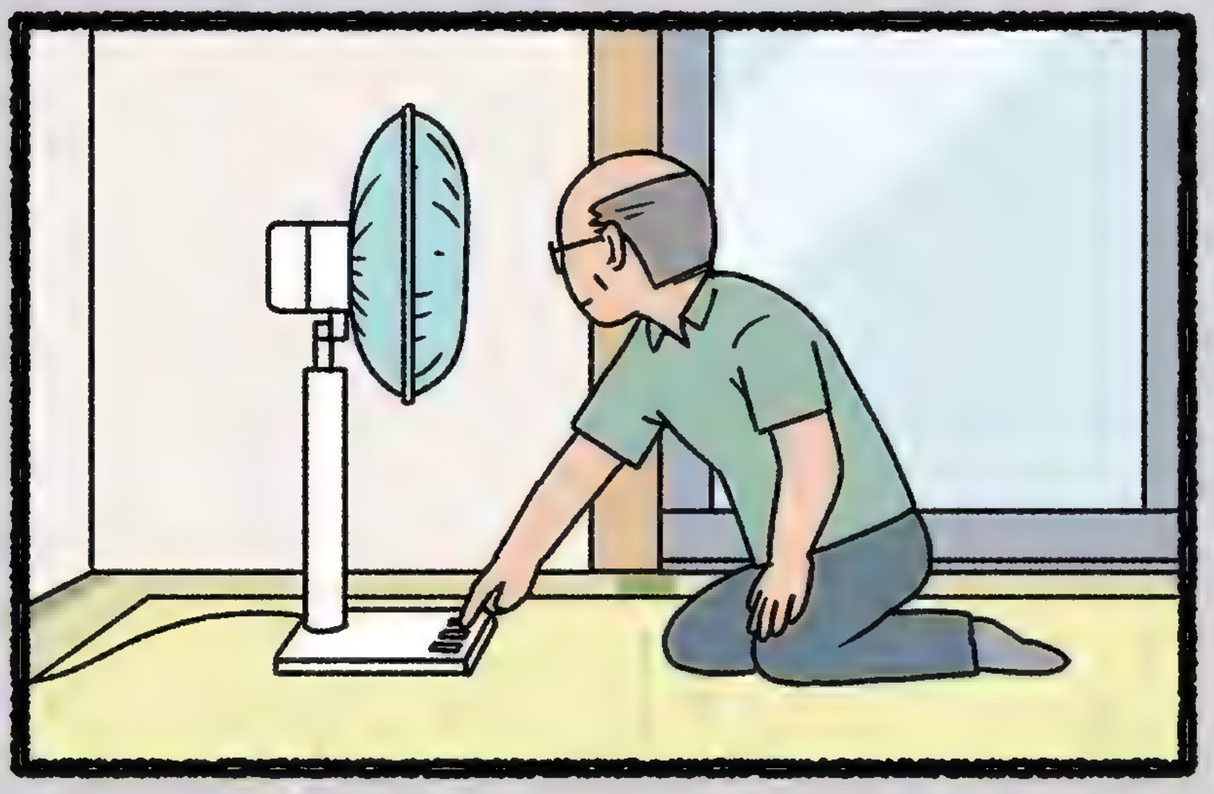

ONE MORN-ING.

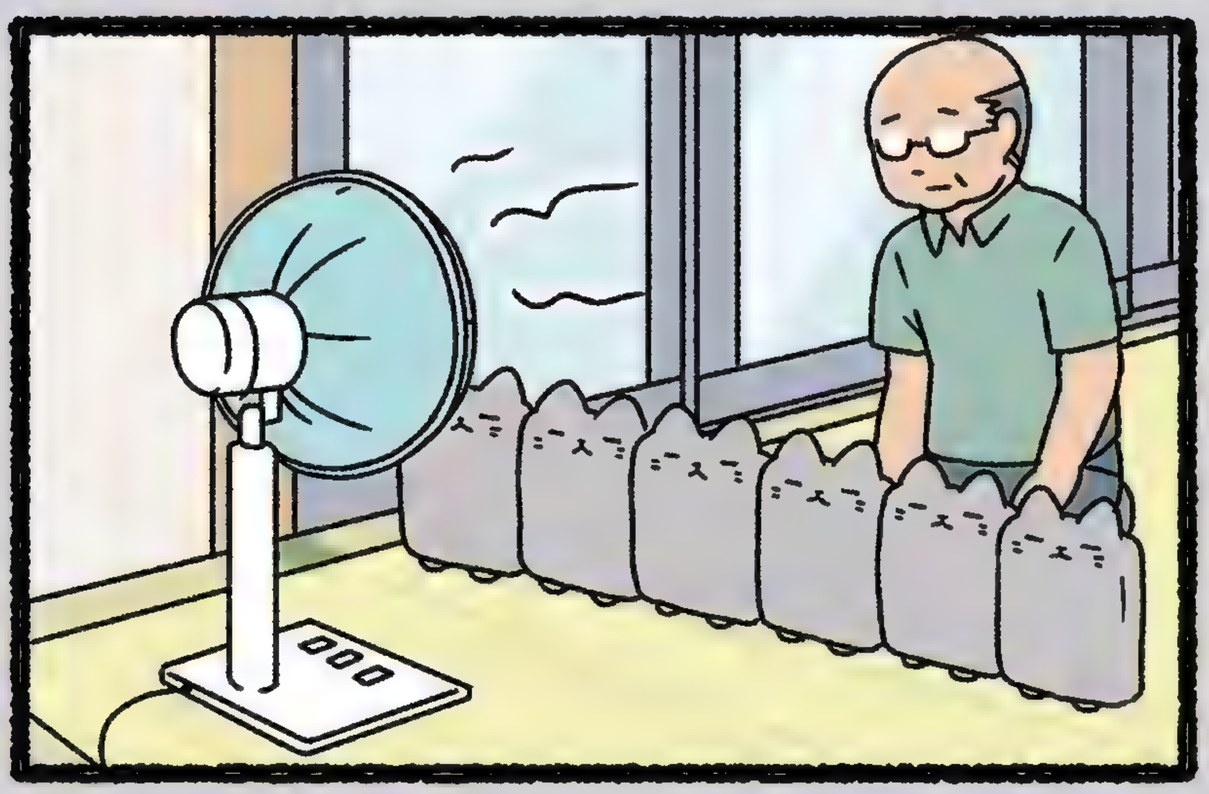

I WANT TO USE THE BATHROOM...
ONE NIGHT.

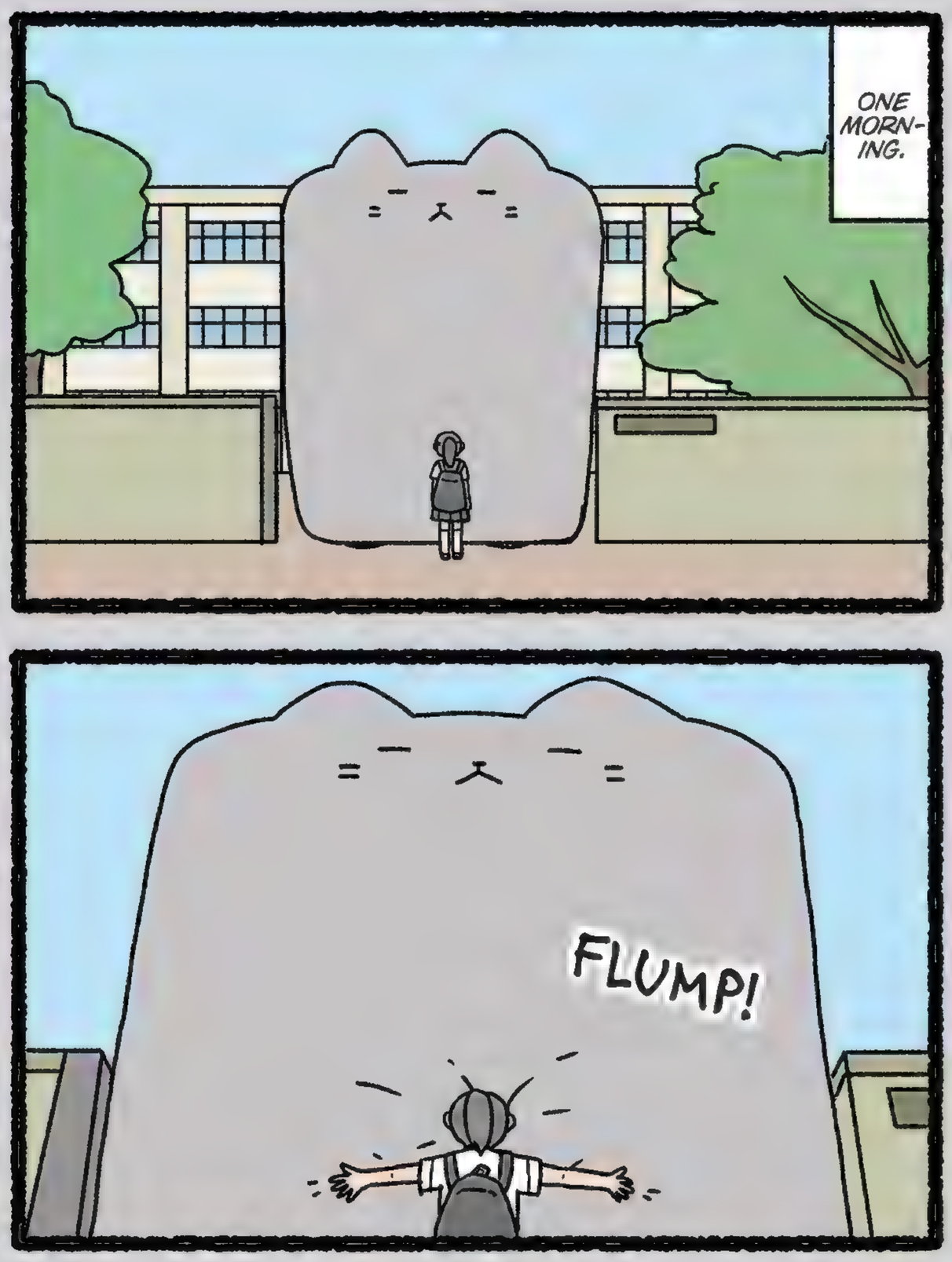

VROOOM...


ONE WEEK-END.
VROOM...


I'M HOME.
ONE EVE-NING.
FLOP

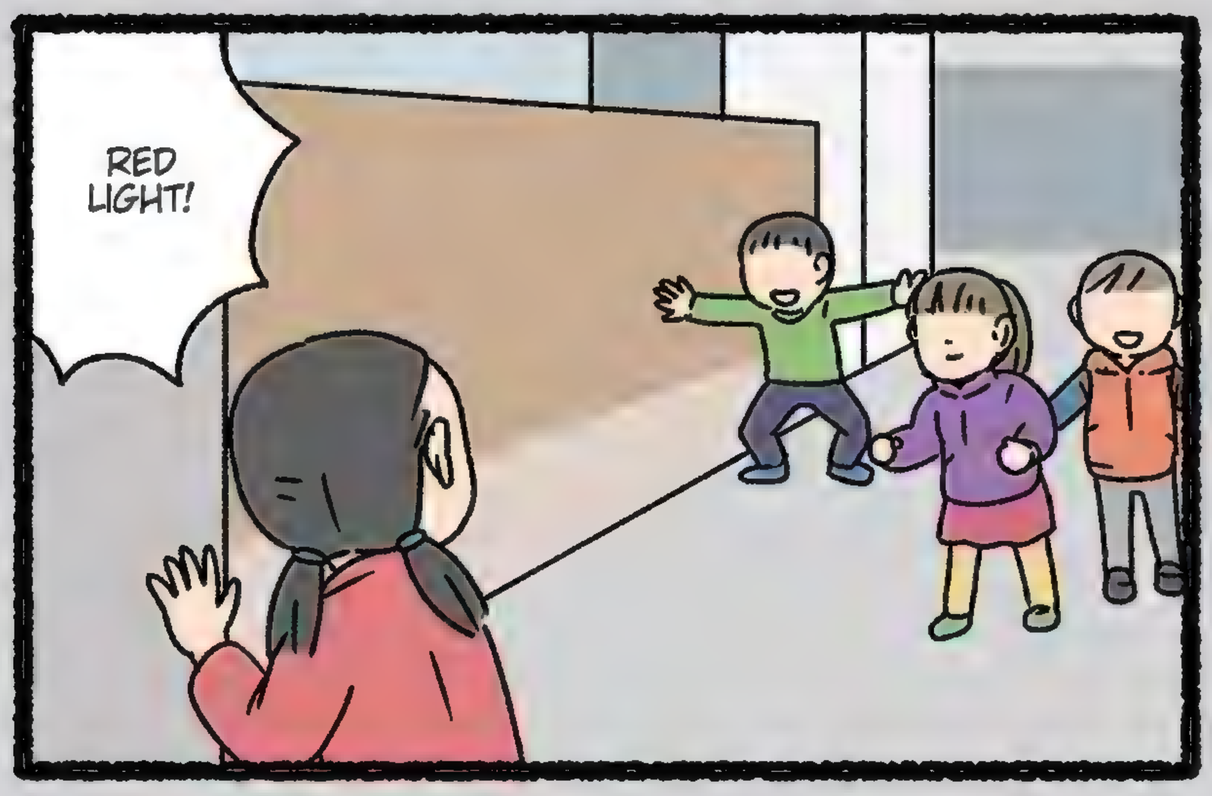





ONE MORN-ING.
FLUMP!
Wow!
Wow!
Wow!
EVERYONE'S LATE TODAY.


ONE NIGHT.
ONE EVE-NING.
ONE LATE NIGHT.
ONE EARLY MORN-ING.
IT'S HOT DURING THE DAY...

LIGHT...
GREEN...


RED LIGHT!


LIGHT...
GREEN...

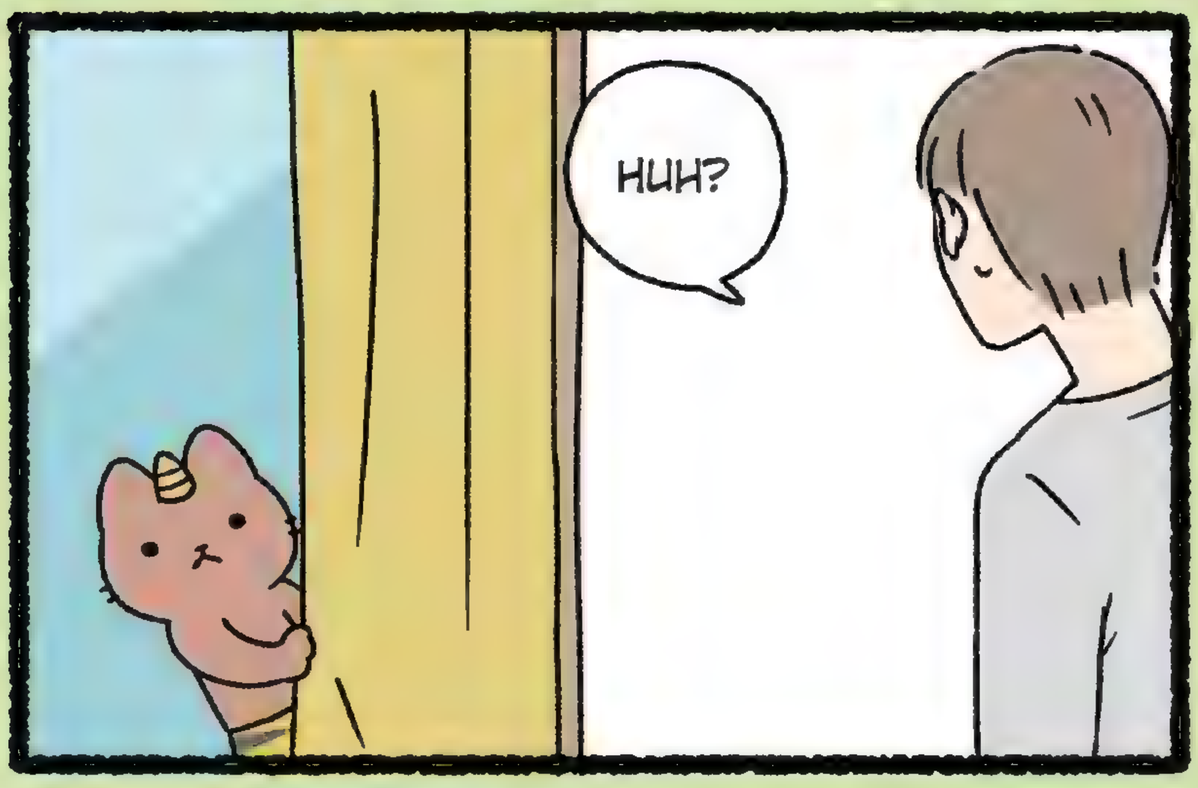

RED LIGHT!


ONE NEW YEAR'S EVE.
GOOOZG
IF WE DON'T HURRY, WE'LL MISS THE NEW YEAR.
GOOONG
GOOONG
GOOONG
GOOONG
YEAH...
HAPPY NEW YEAR.



Oni

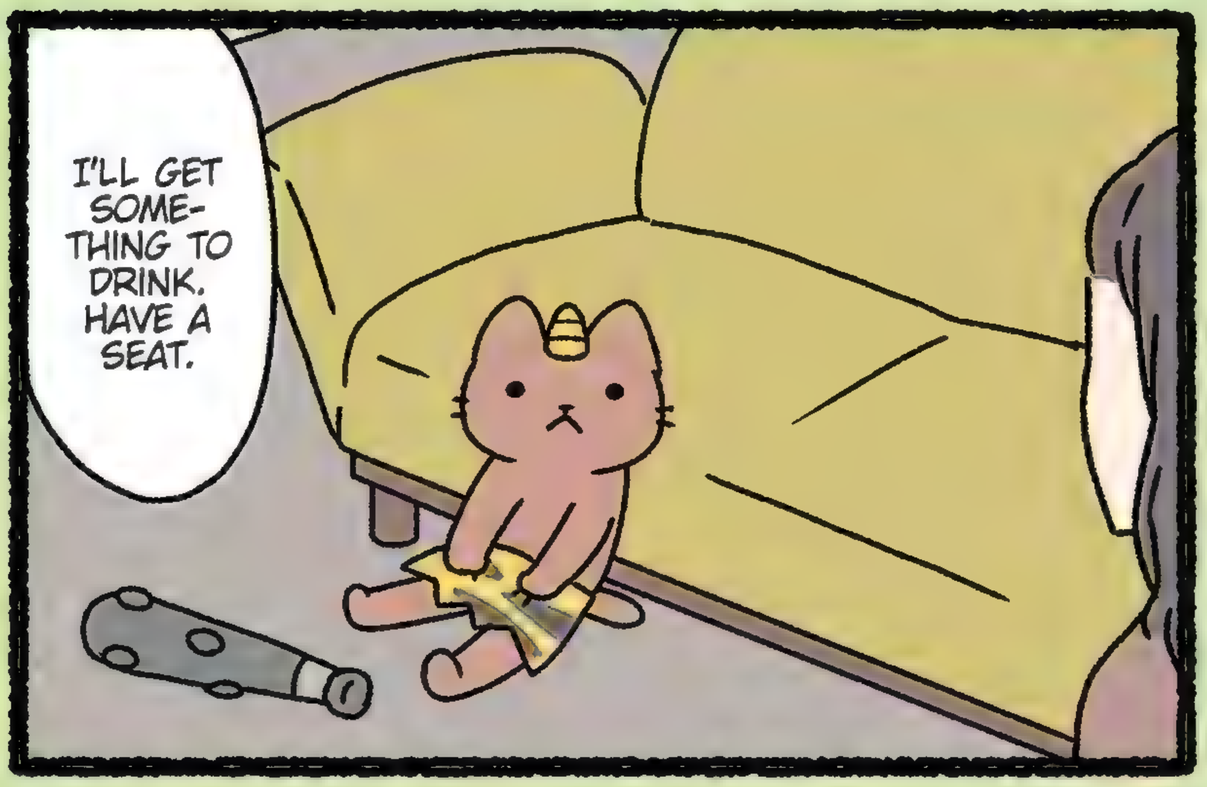
Has a small body--not large by any means. Its red fur is straight, not curly.








HERE WE ARE.


I'LL GET SOME-THING TO DRINK. HAVE A SEAT.


DOES THIS CAT SEEM ANGRY TO YOU?
HEY,


I SEE...
OH, HE'S ALWAYS HAD THAT HORN.

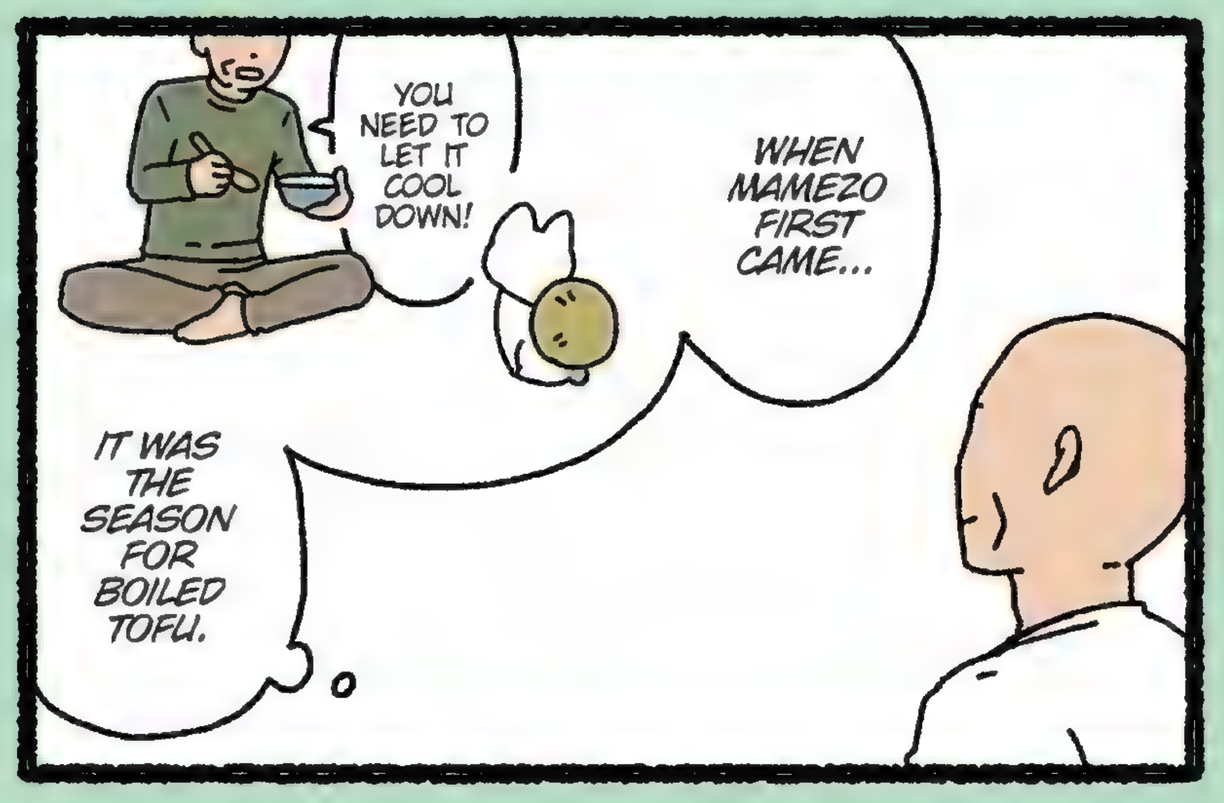
Tofu Kozo

Tofu Boy

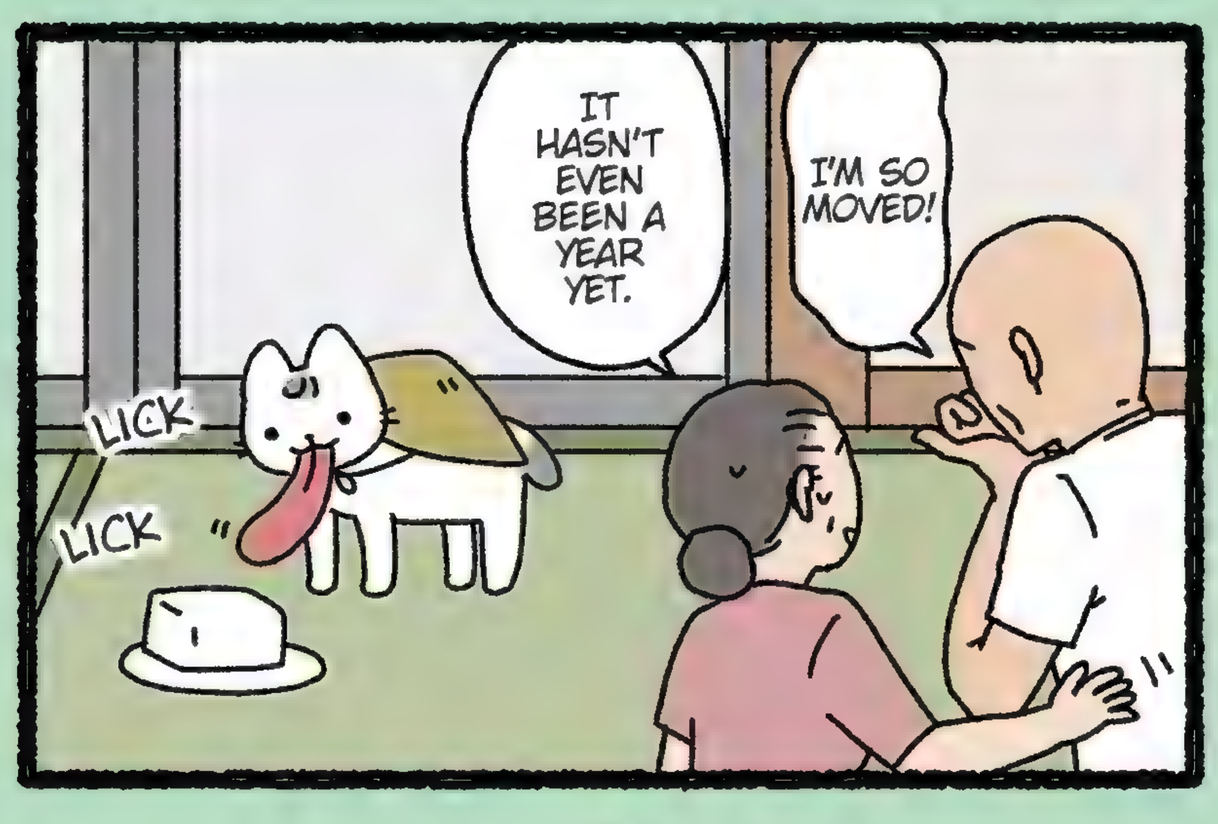
A tofu shop with a picky Tofu Kozo always has delicious products.




LICK
LICK


YOU NEED TO LET IT COOL DOWN!
WHEN MAMEZO FIRST CAME...
IT WAS THE SEASON FOR BOILED TOFU.


NOW IT'S ALREADY THE SEASON FOR COLD TOFU...
LICK
LICK

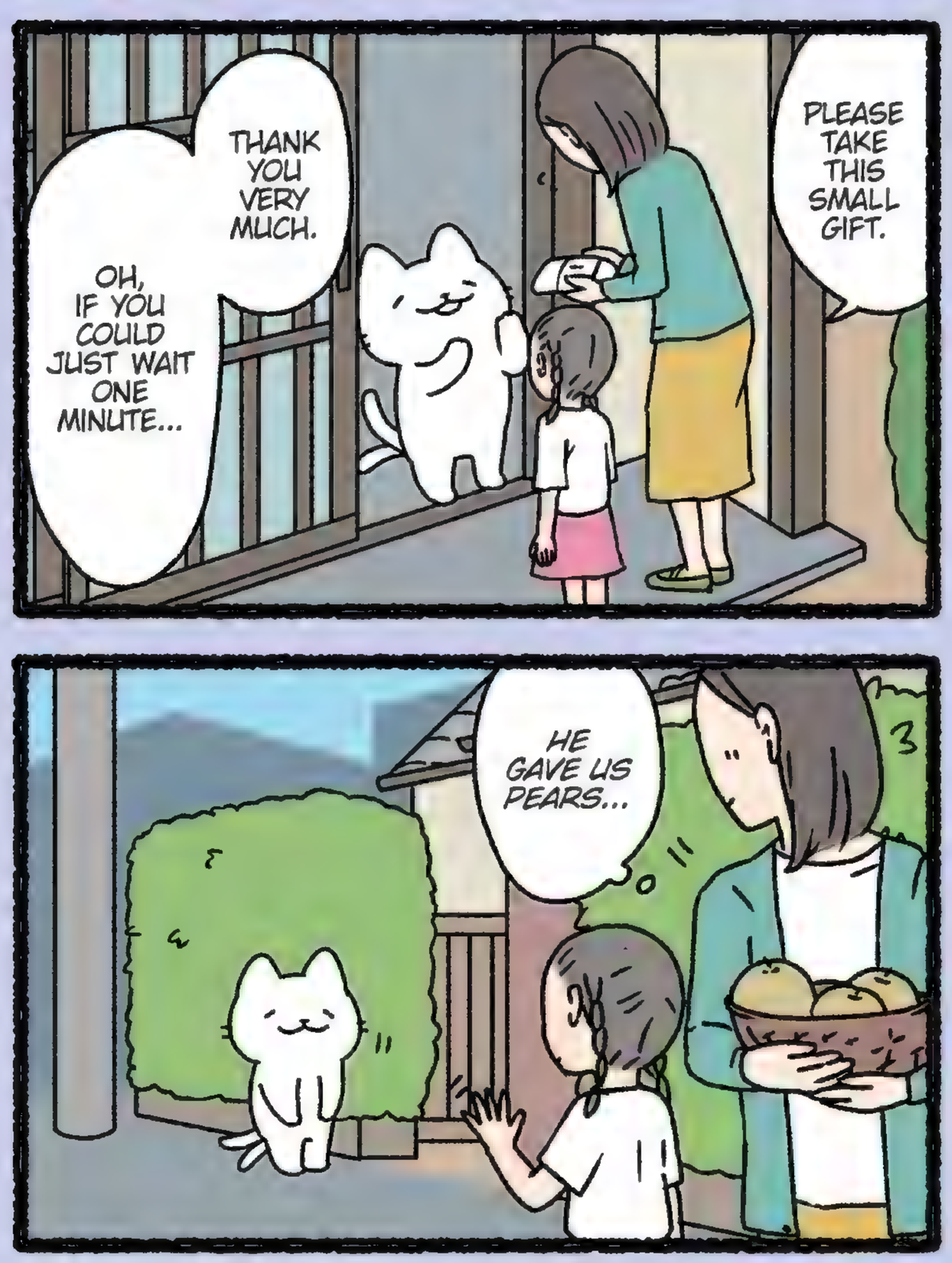

IT HASN'T EVEN BEEN A YEAR YET.
I'M SO MOVED!
LICK
LICK

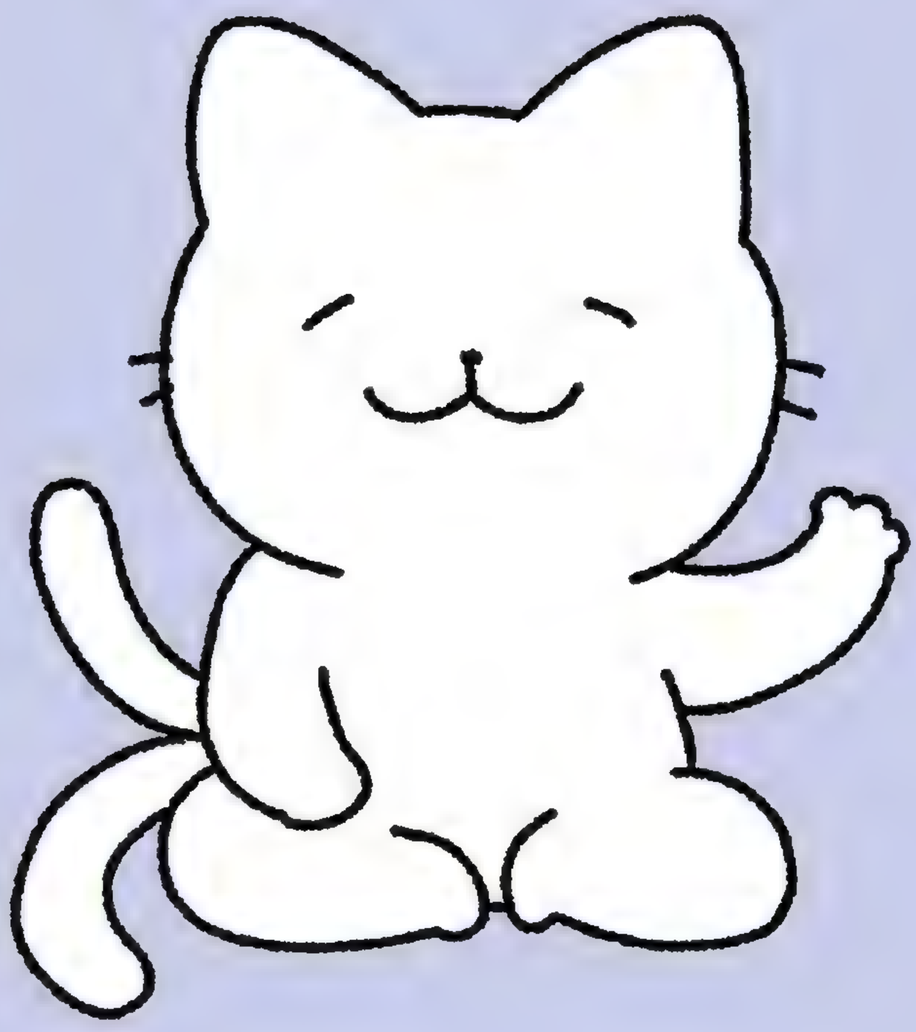
Nekomata

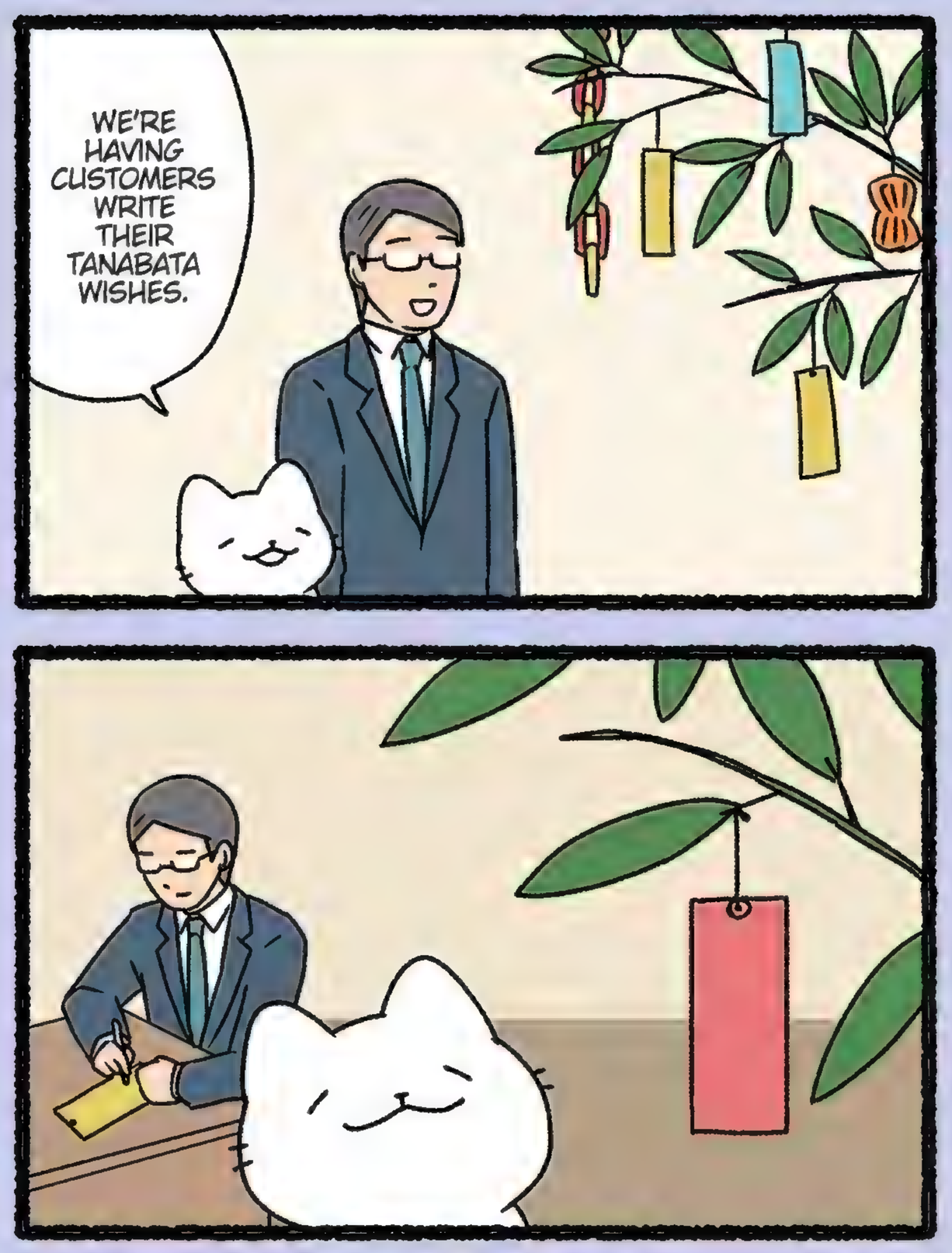
Two-Tailed Cat

There are two types: wild and domestic. It is unknown which type Shozaemon originally was.

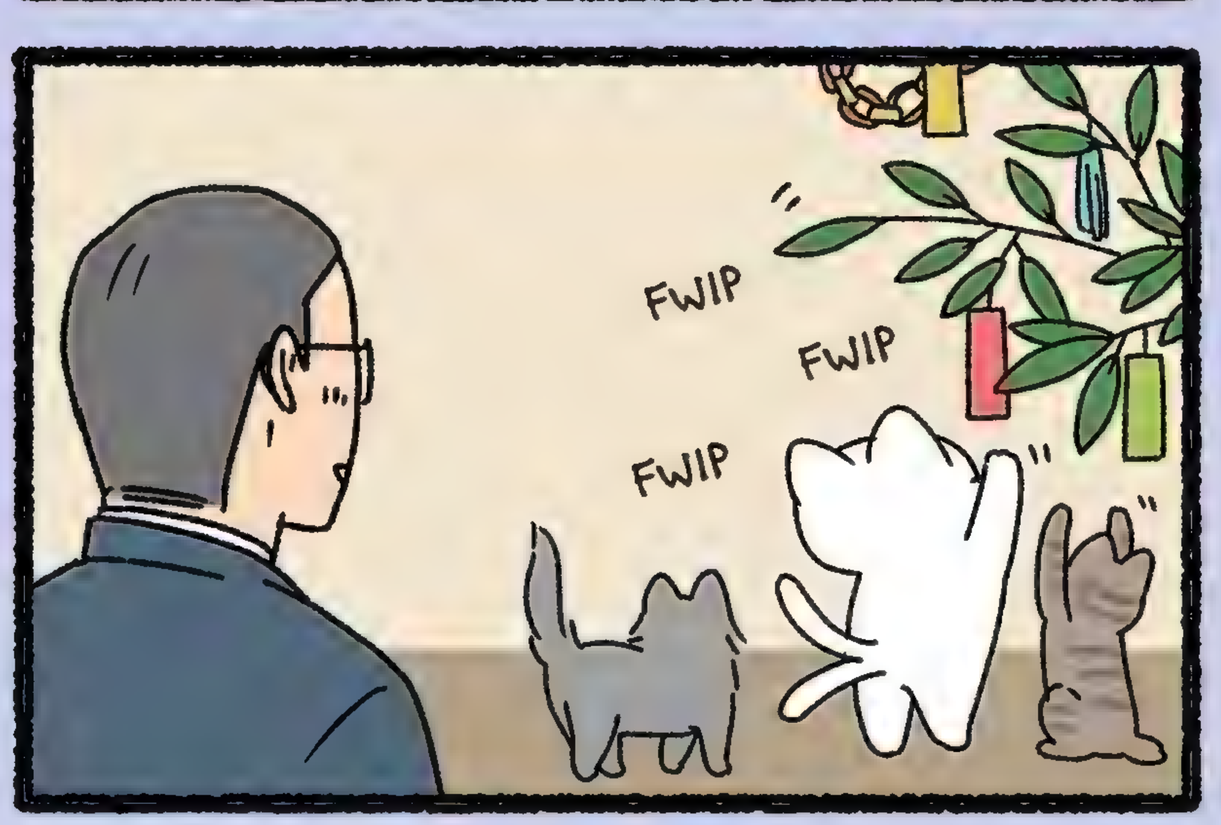






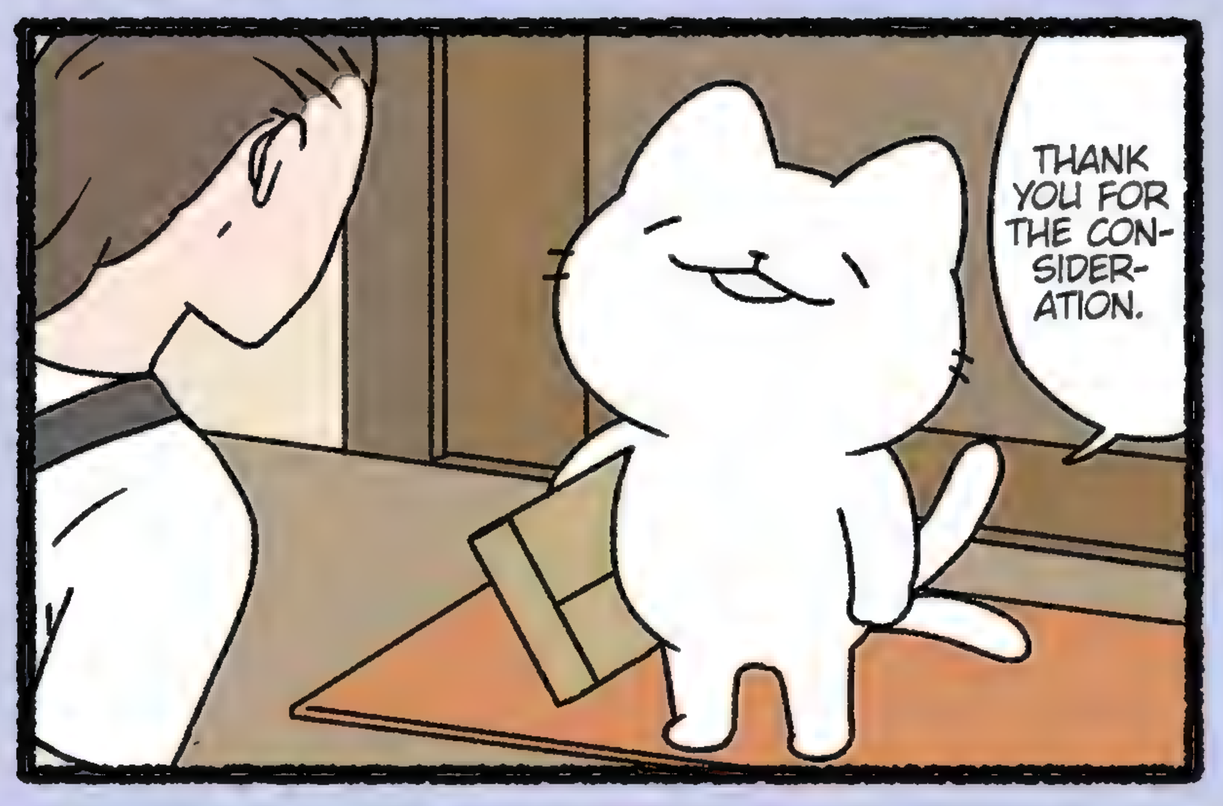

WE'RE HAVING CUSTOMERS WRITE THEIR TANABATA WISHES.

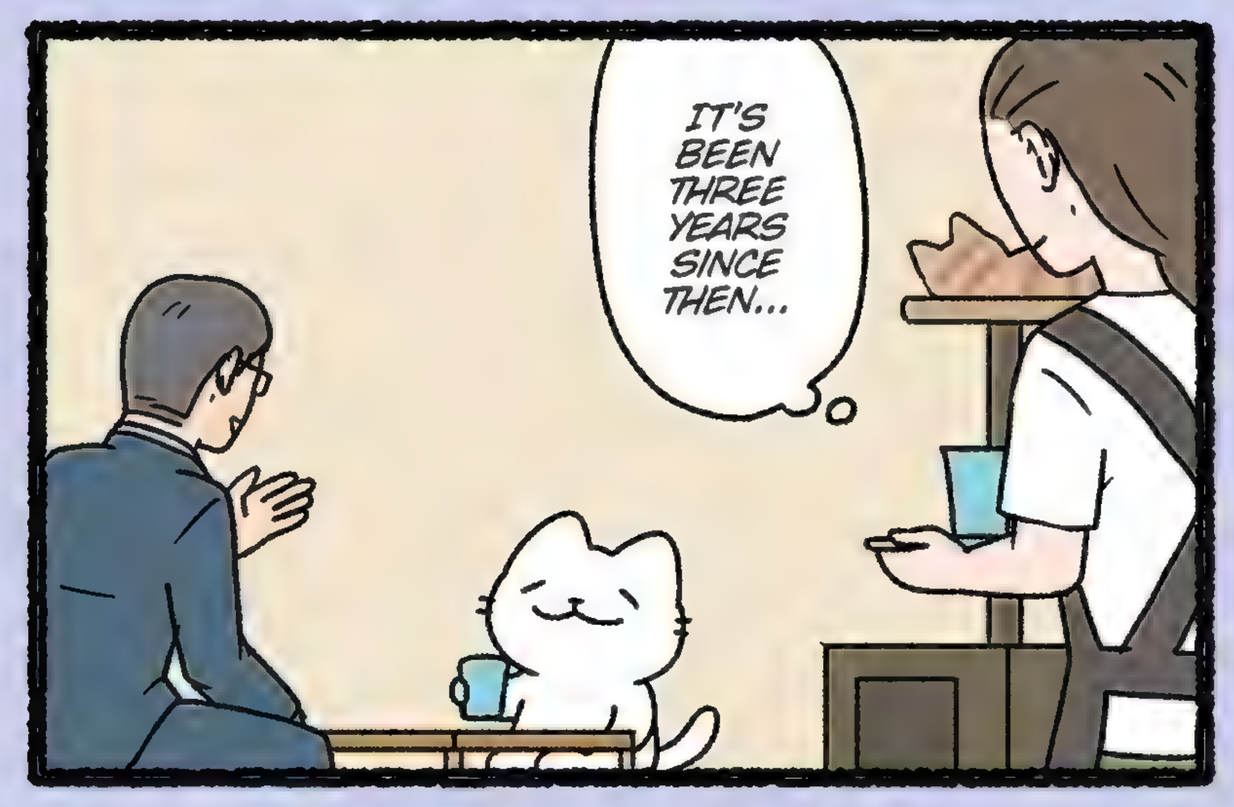

FWIP


FWIP
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Hiring
Part-time
Staff
CAT
CAFE

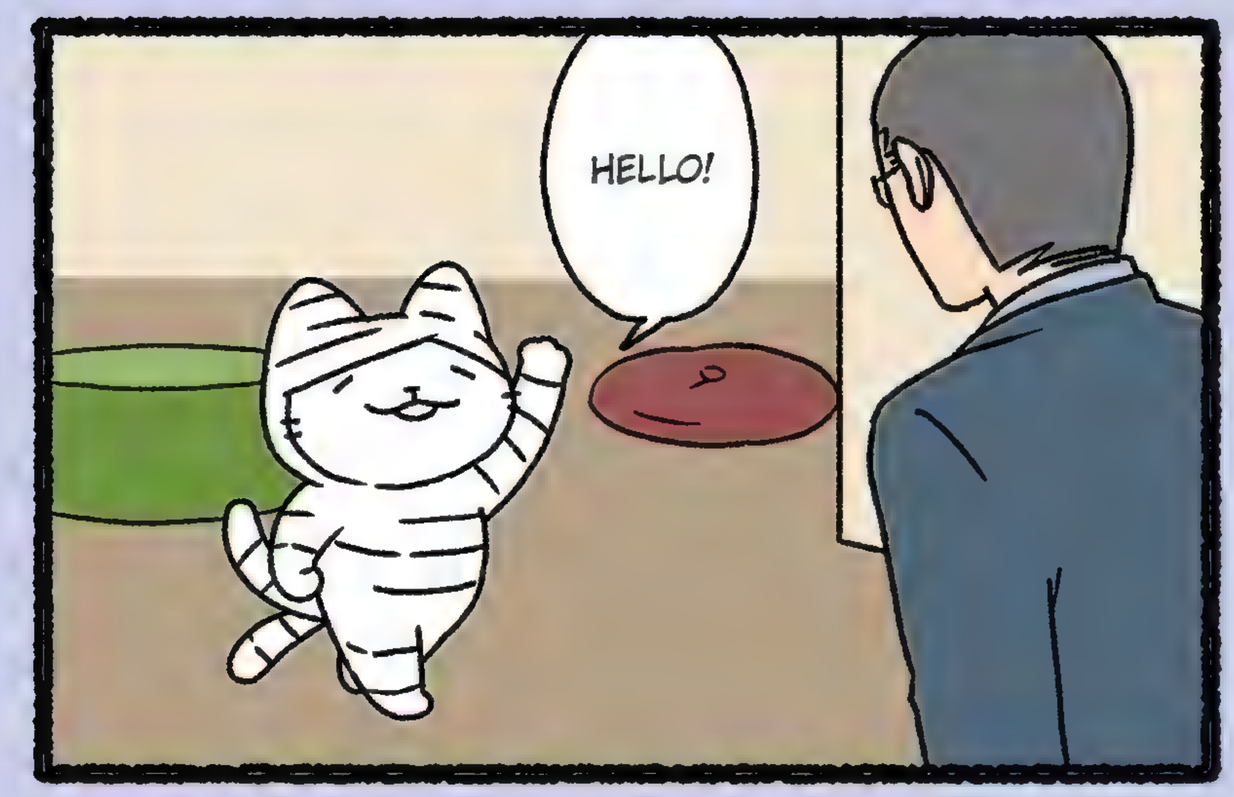

OH,
YES.
I SAW THE
NOTICE
OUTSIDE...


THANK
YOU FOR
THE CON-
SIDER-
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IT'S
BEEN
THREE
YEARS
SINCE
THEN...

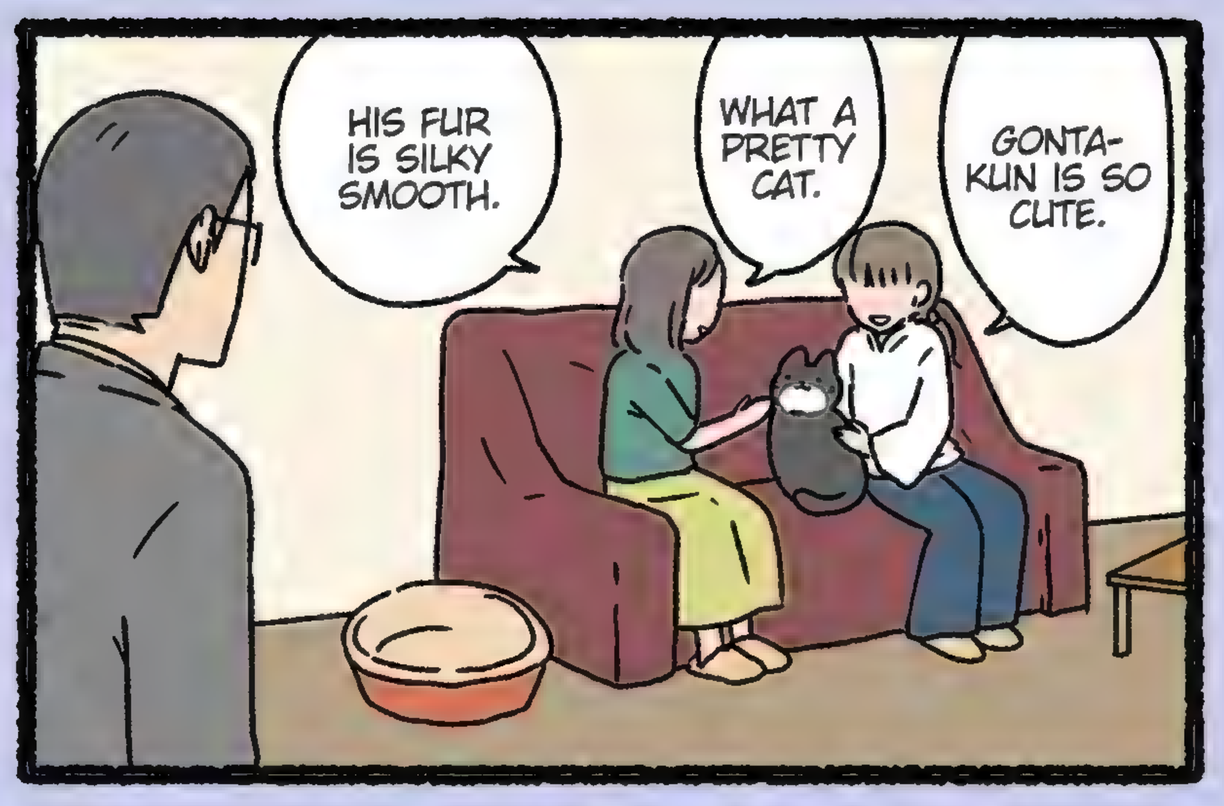

SURE.
New Special Drink
I'D LIKE THIS.
GRIND
GRIND


AT THE CAT CAFÉ.
WELCOME!


HELLO!


DID YOU HURT YOUR-SELF?
WHAT HAPPEN-ED?
HUH?!


AH, SORRY, WE'RE HAVING A HALLOWEEN EVENT...

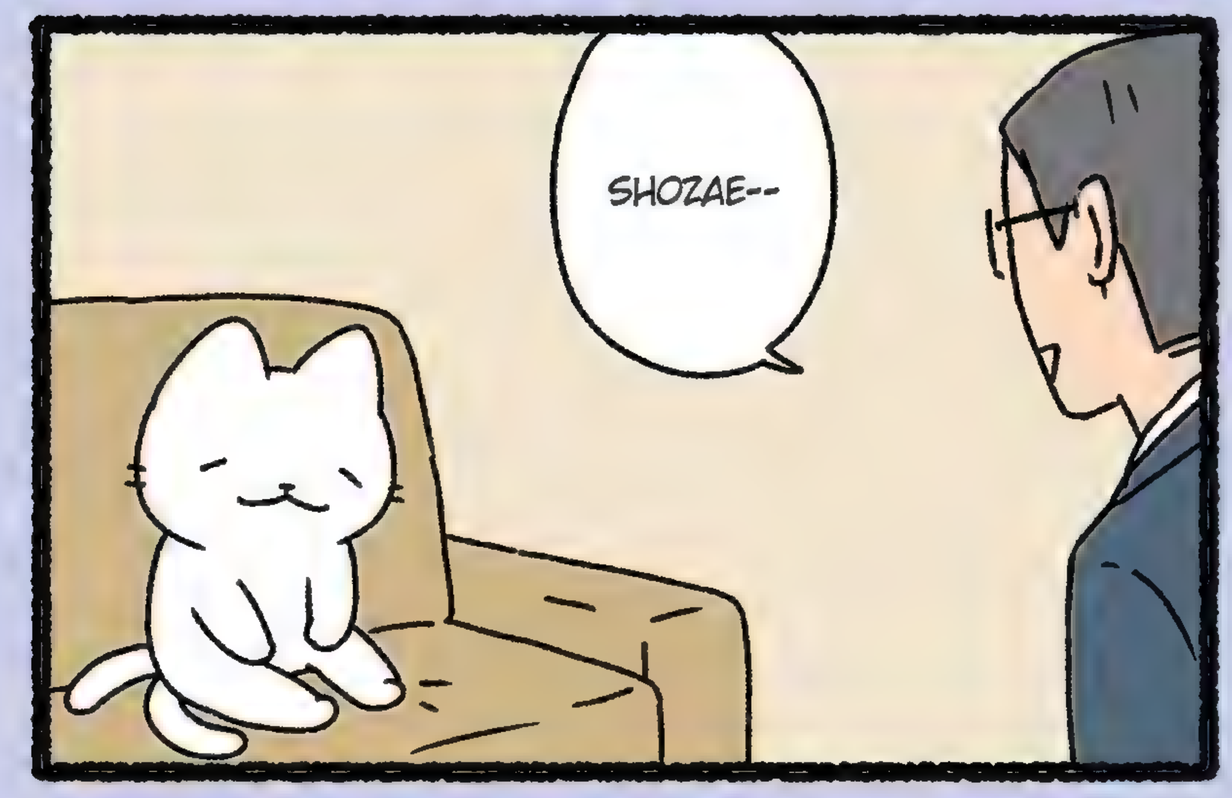

HIS FUR IS SILKY SMOOTH.
WHAT A PRETTY CAT.
GONTA-KUN IS SO CUTE.

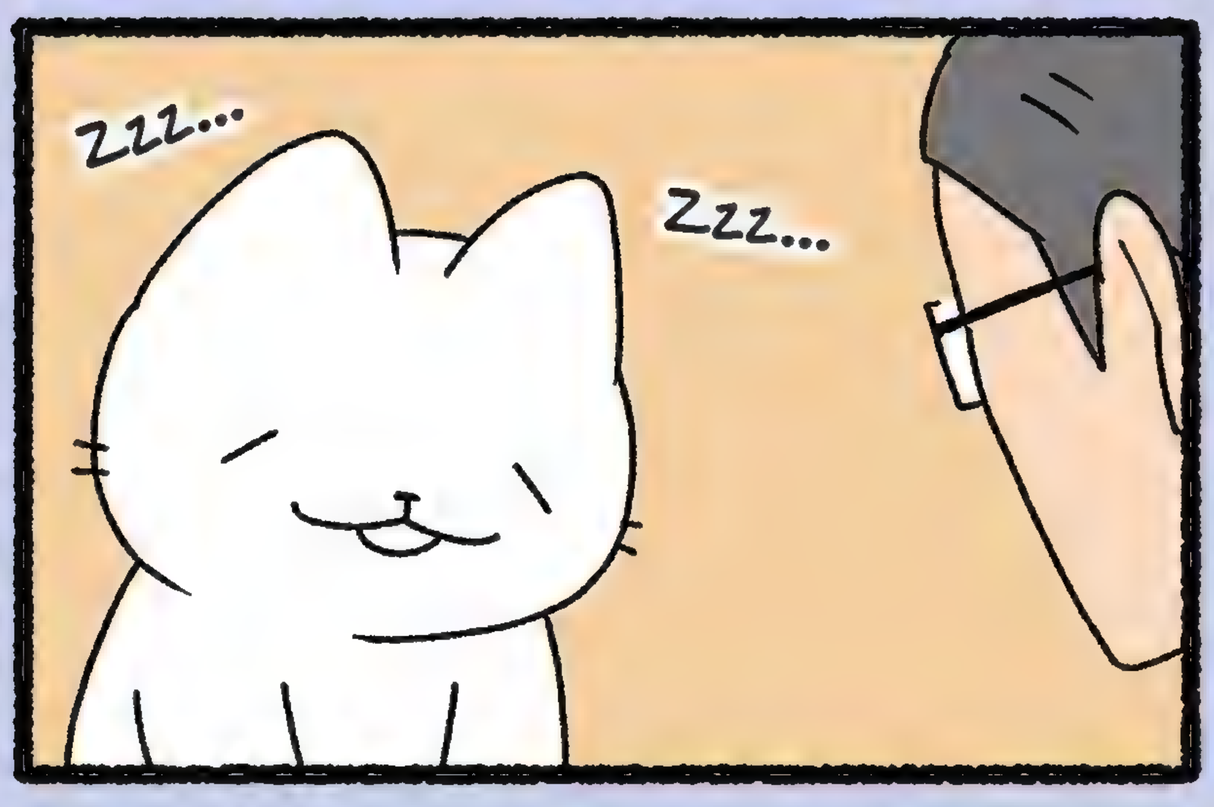

SHOZAE-MON-SAN.
YES?

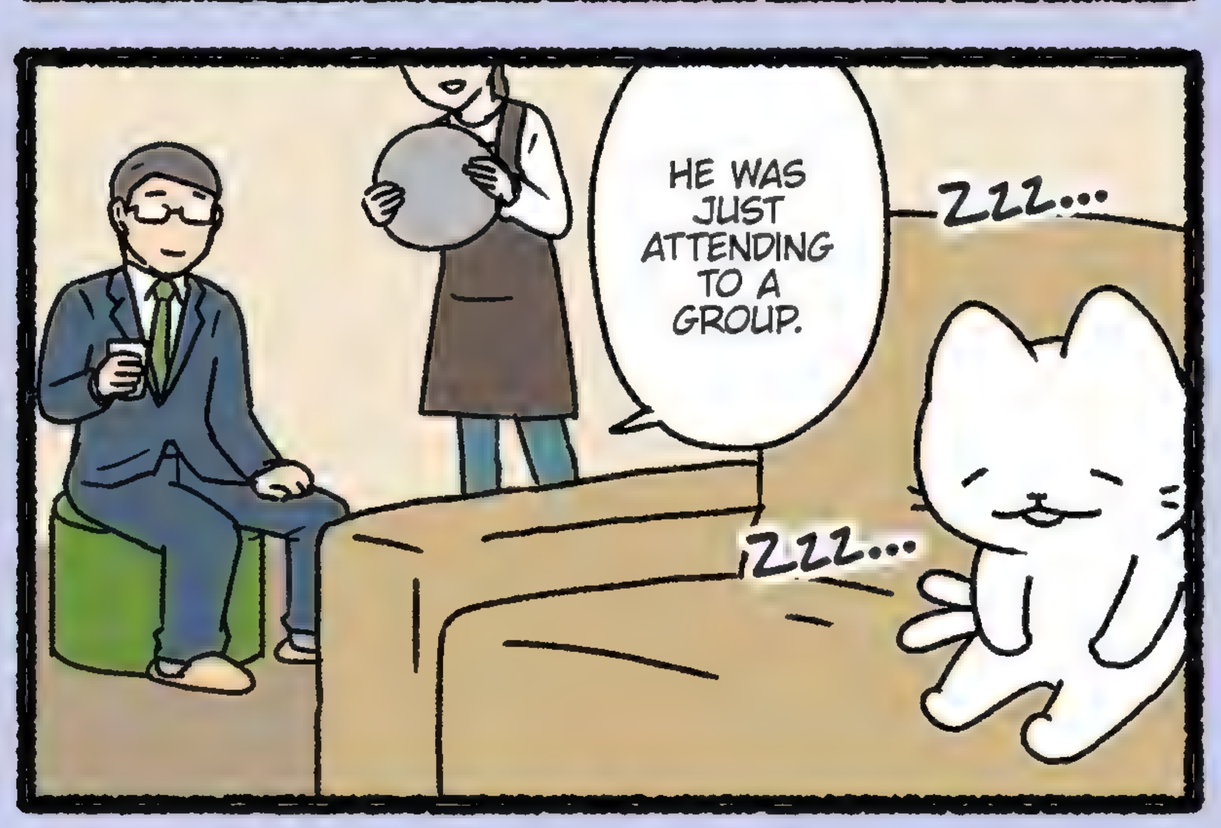

. . .


THANK YOU FOR EVERY-THING.
LIKEWISE.


AT THE CAT CAFÉ.
WEL-COME!


SHOZAE--


ZZZ...
ZZZ...


HE WAS JUST ATTENDING TO A GROUP.
ZZZ...
ZZZ...

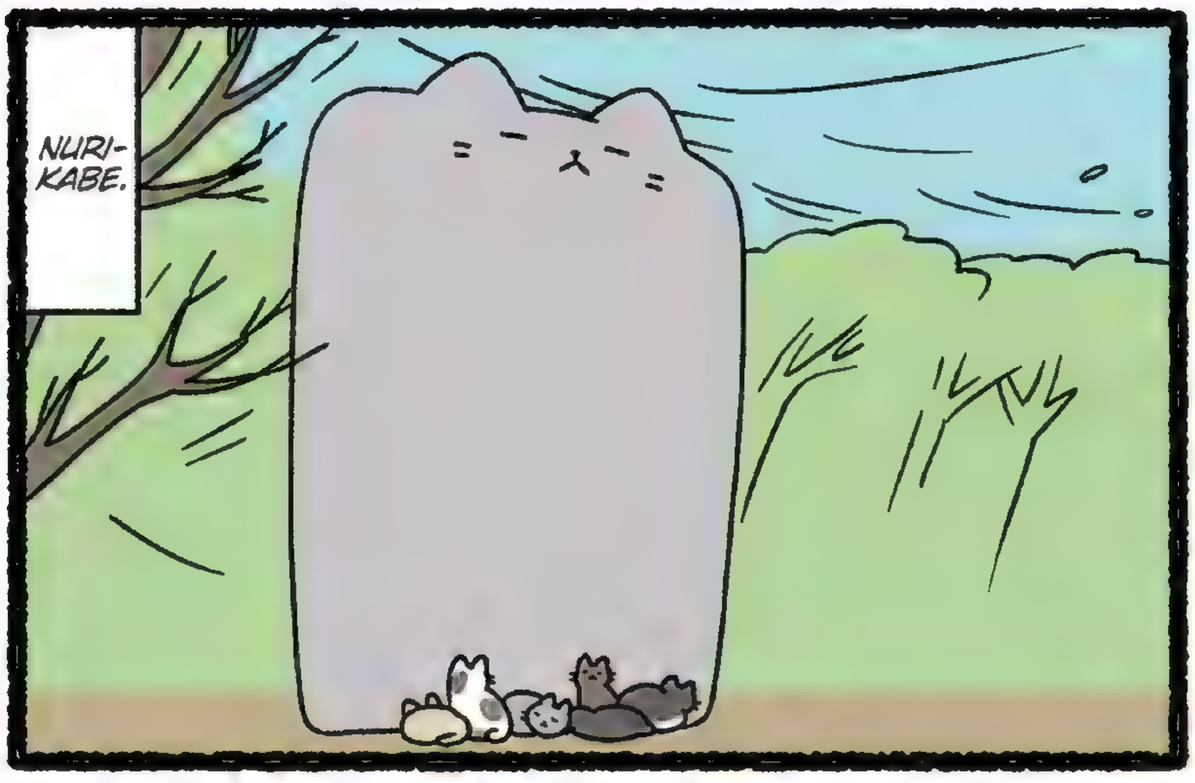

AT THE CAT CAFÉ.
THAT'S FITTING FOR NEW YEAR'S.
TODAY'S DESSERT IS RICE CAKES.
STRETCHY
STRETCHY
STRETCHY
STRETCHY
IT'S GOING TO BE A GOOD YEAR.
Huff...

Yokai Cats in the First Spring Storm

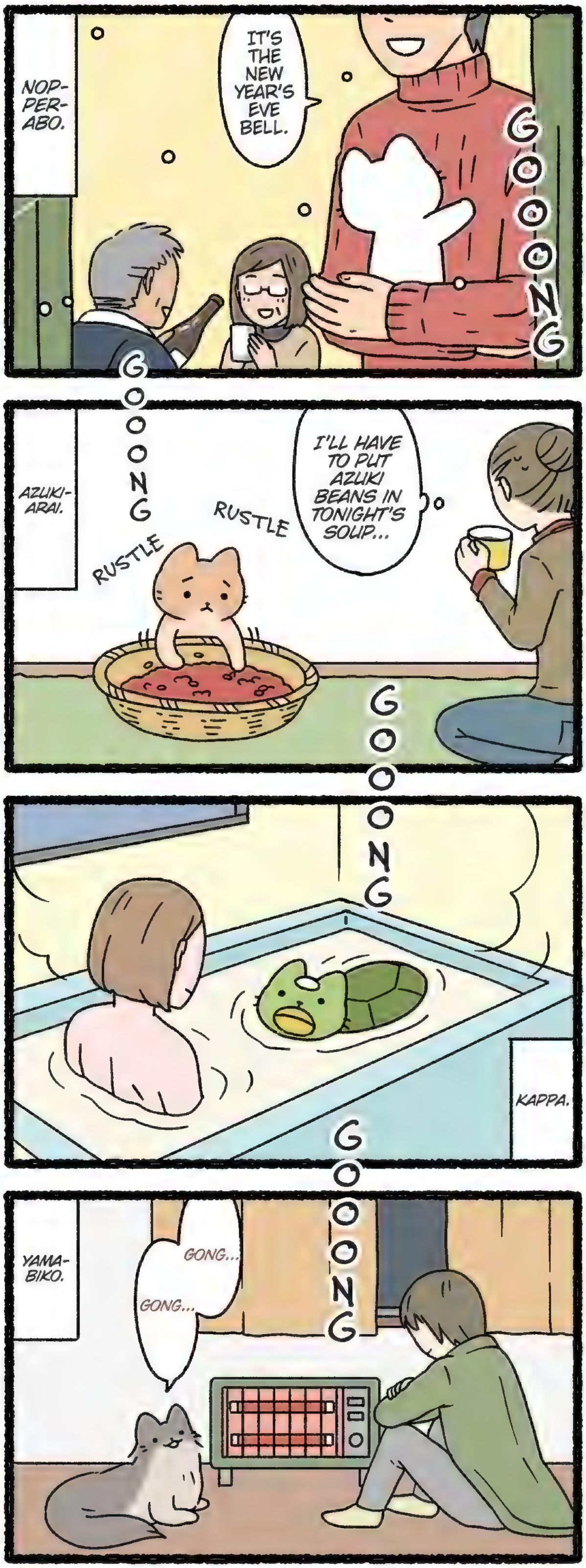




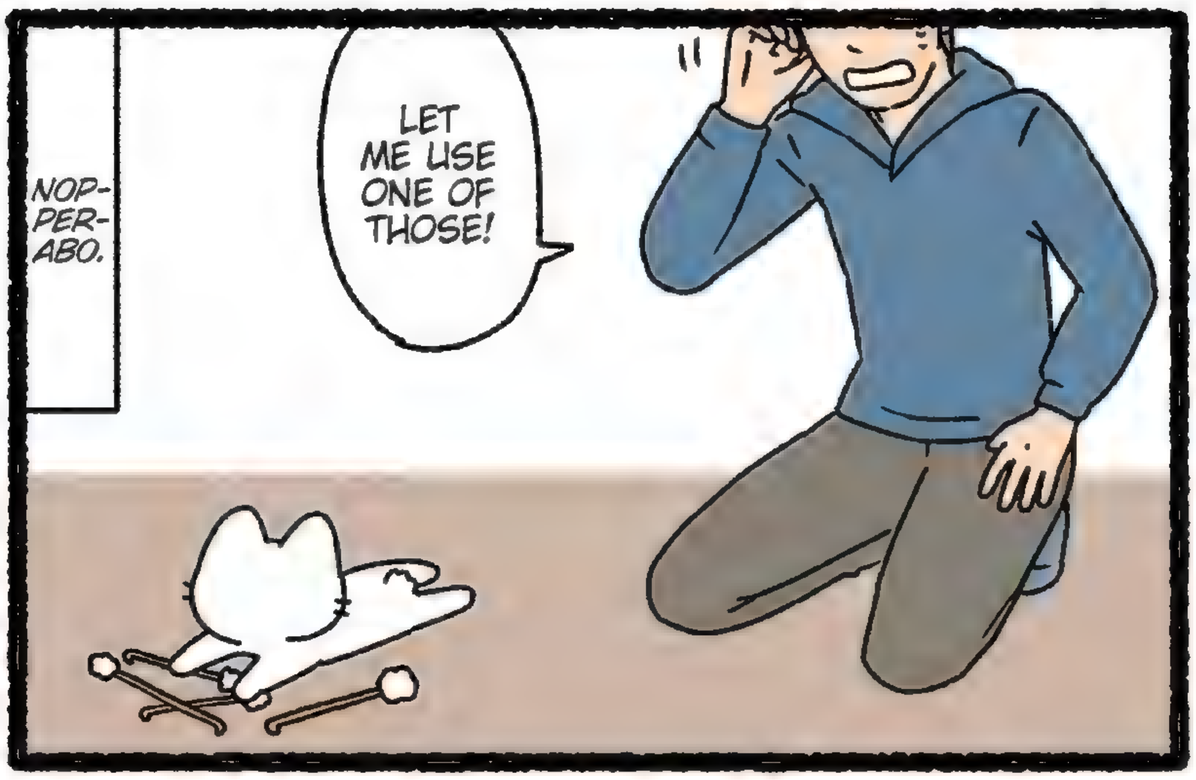


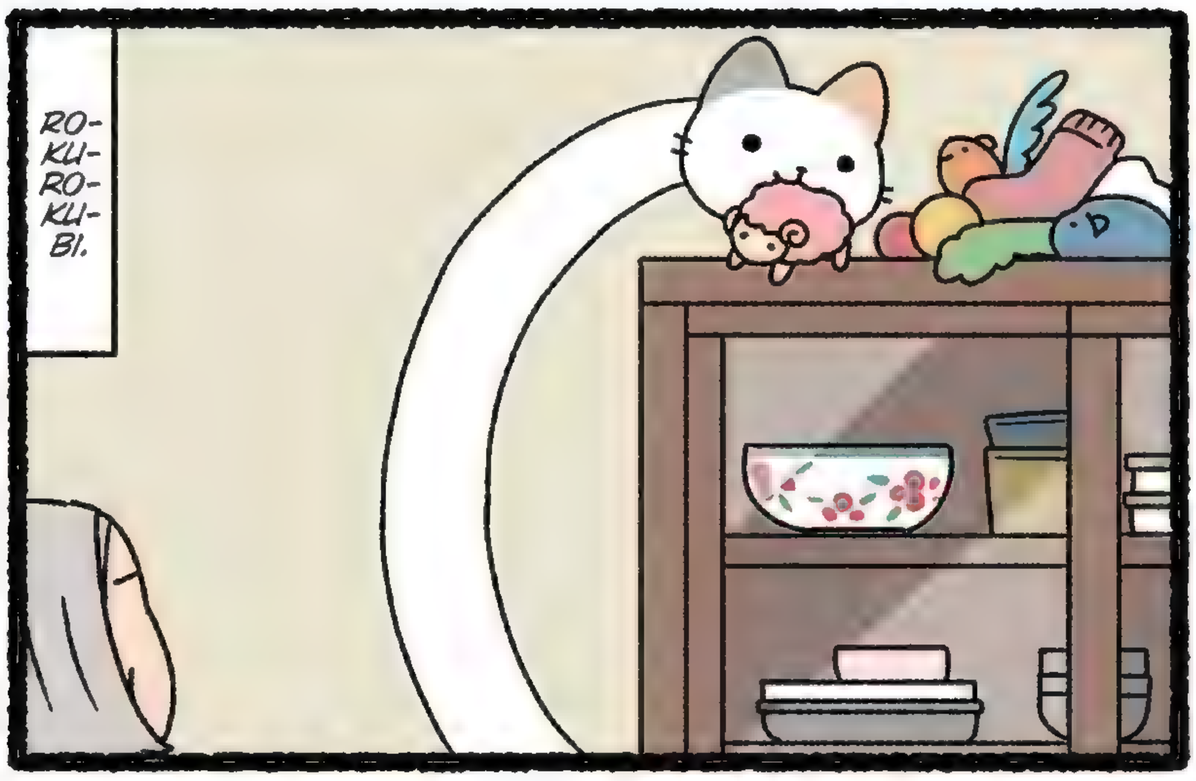


Yokai Cats and the New Year's Eve Bell



Yokai Cats and Their Owners' Collections

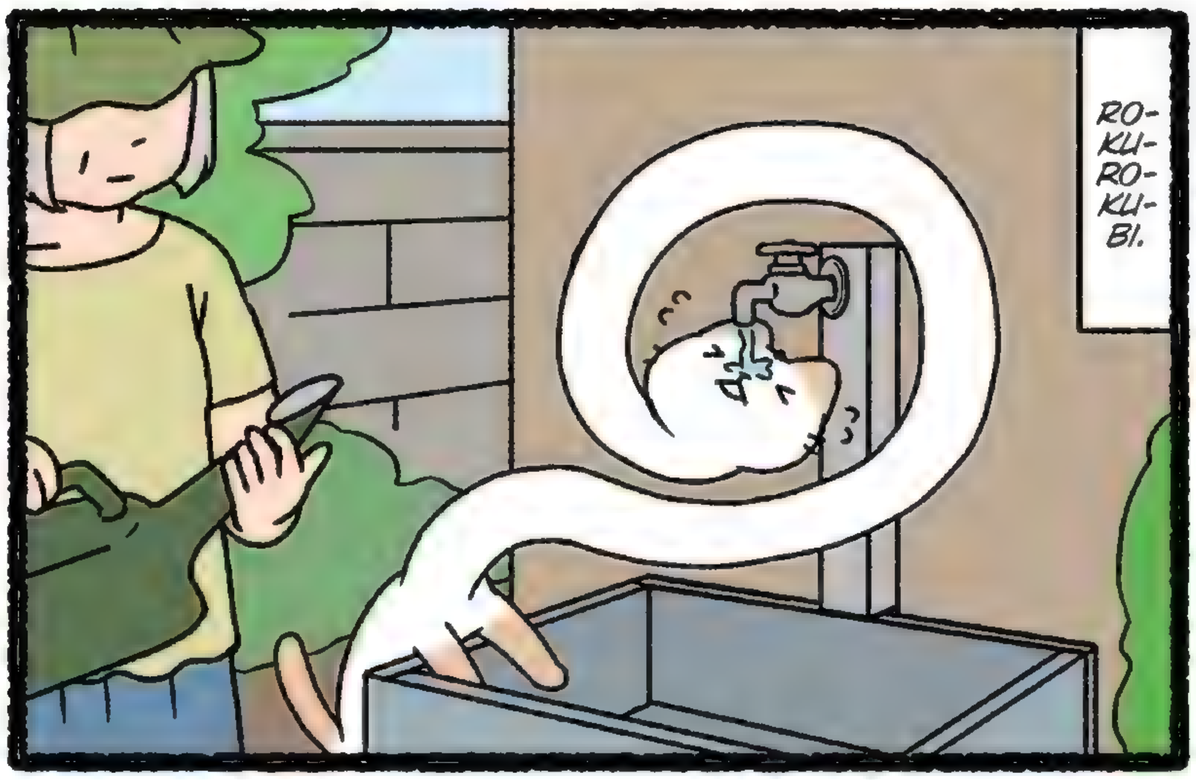


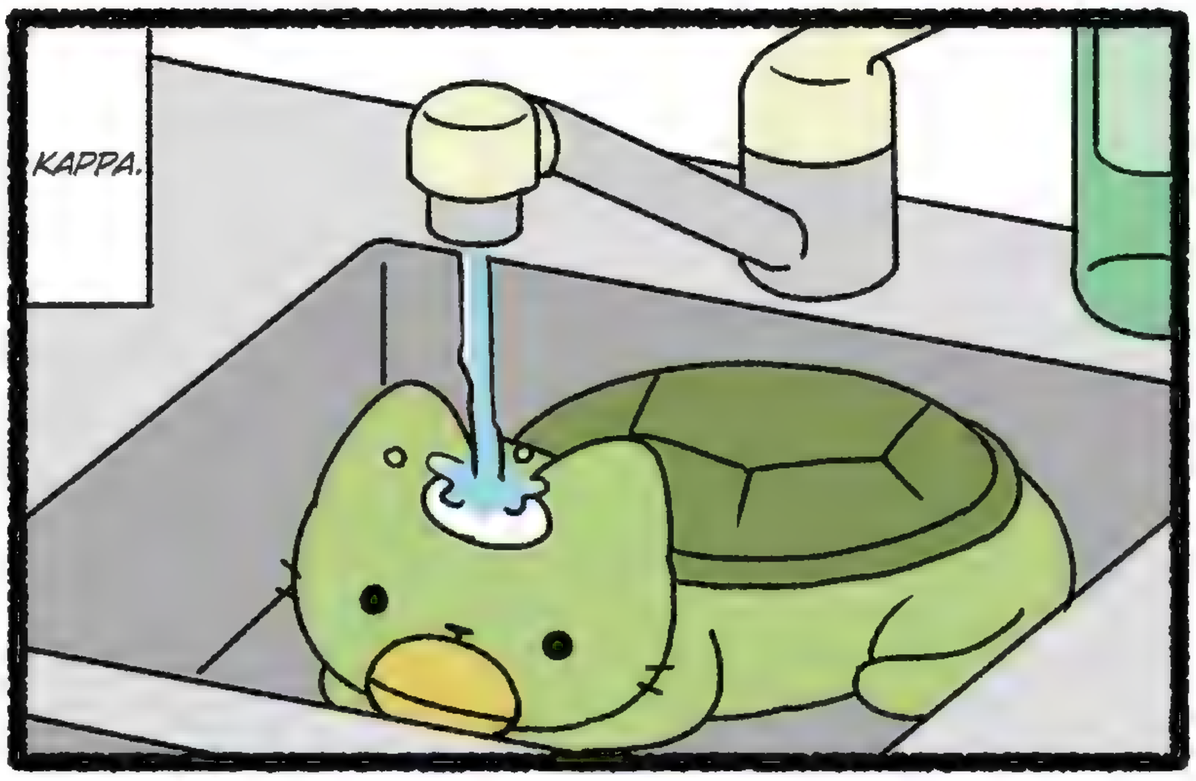






Yokai Cats and Water

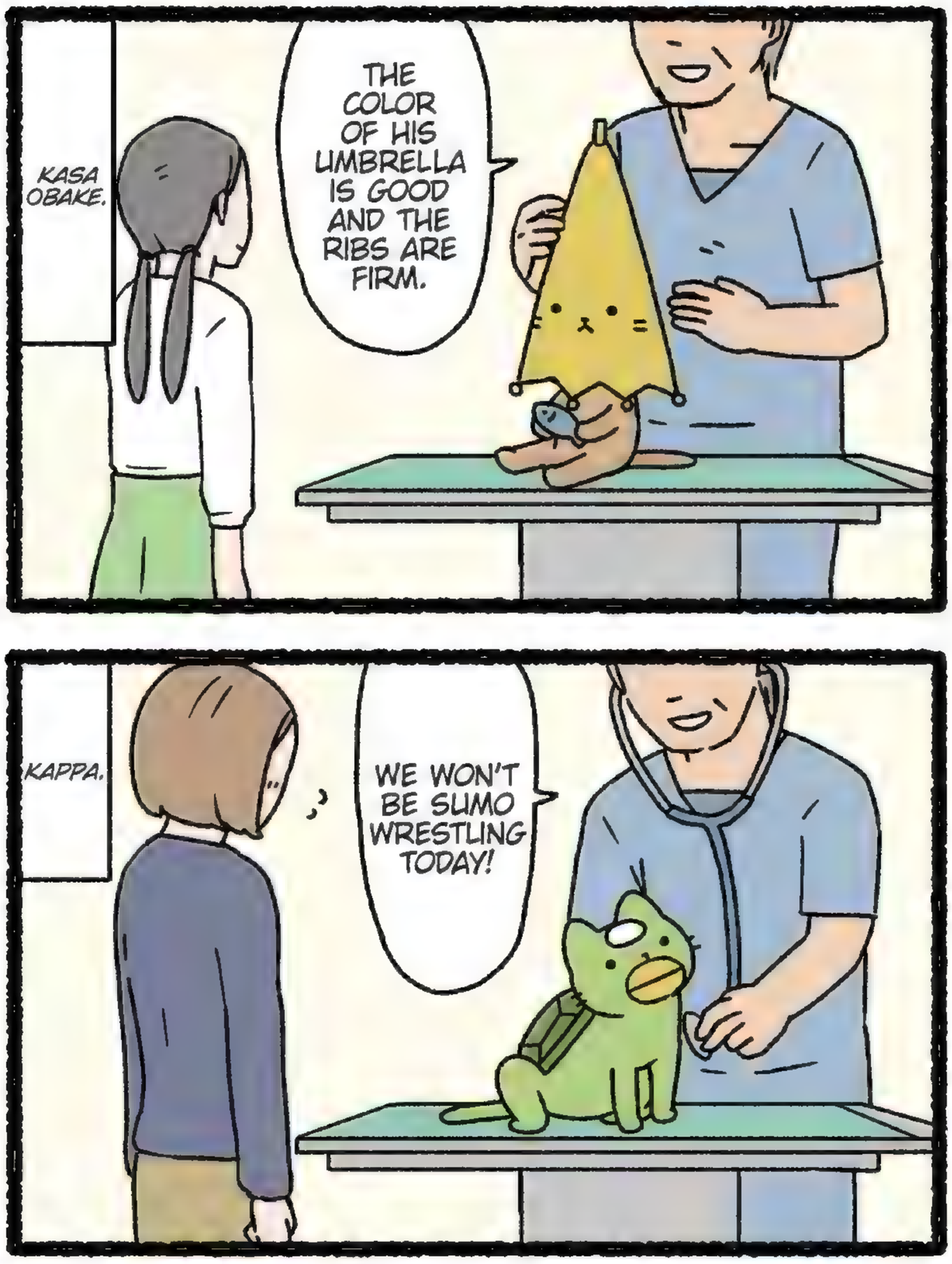




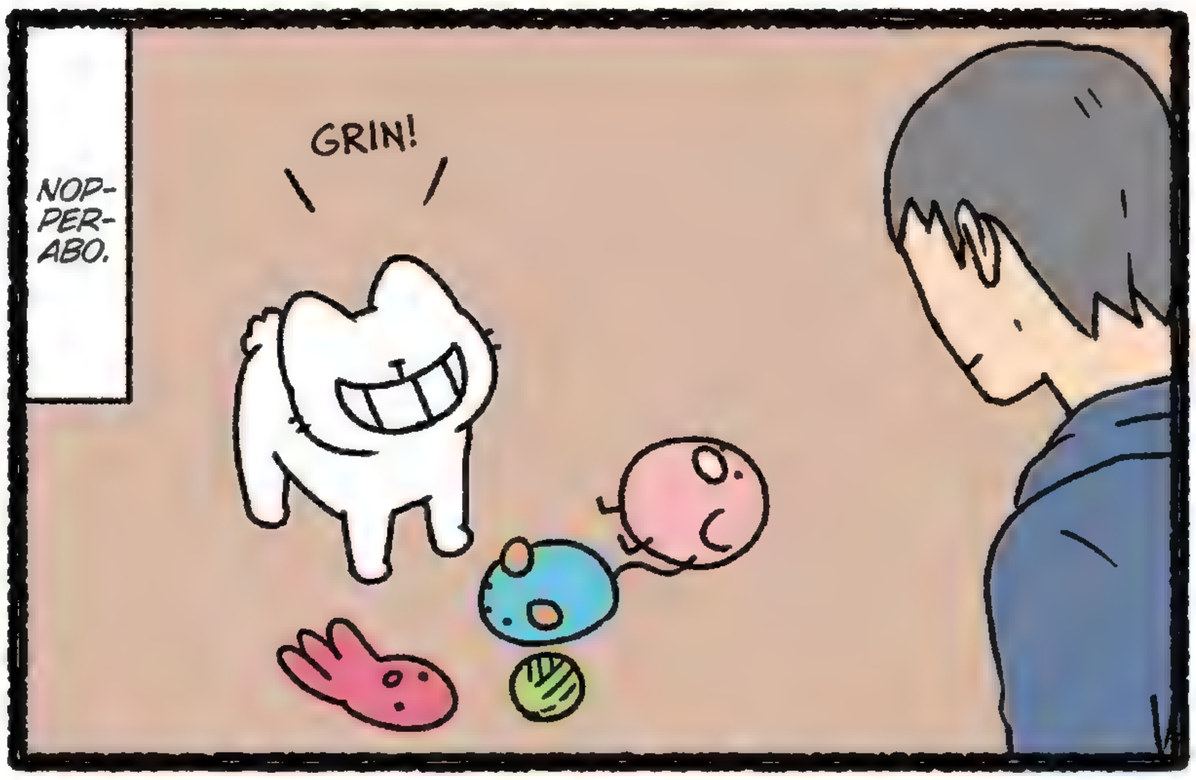




Yokai Cats and Health Check-ups



Yokai Cats Want to Play

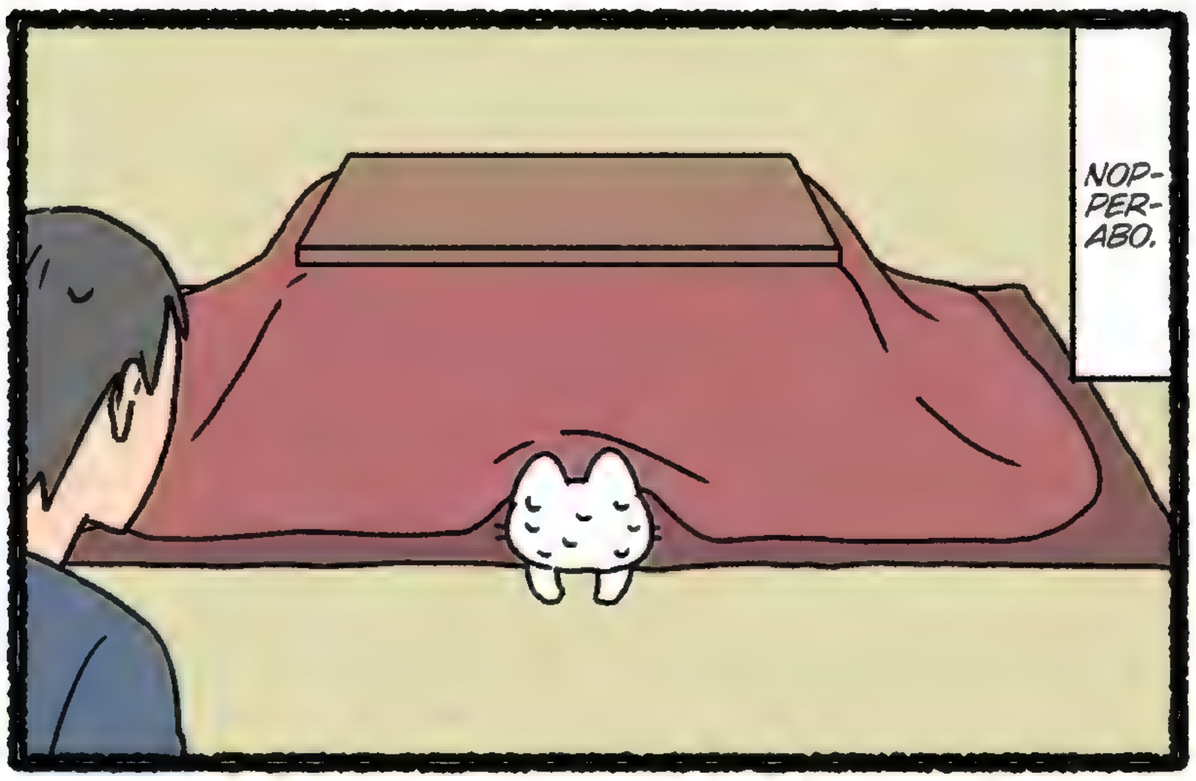


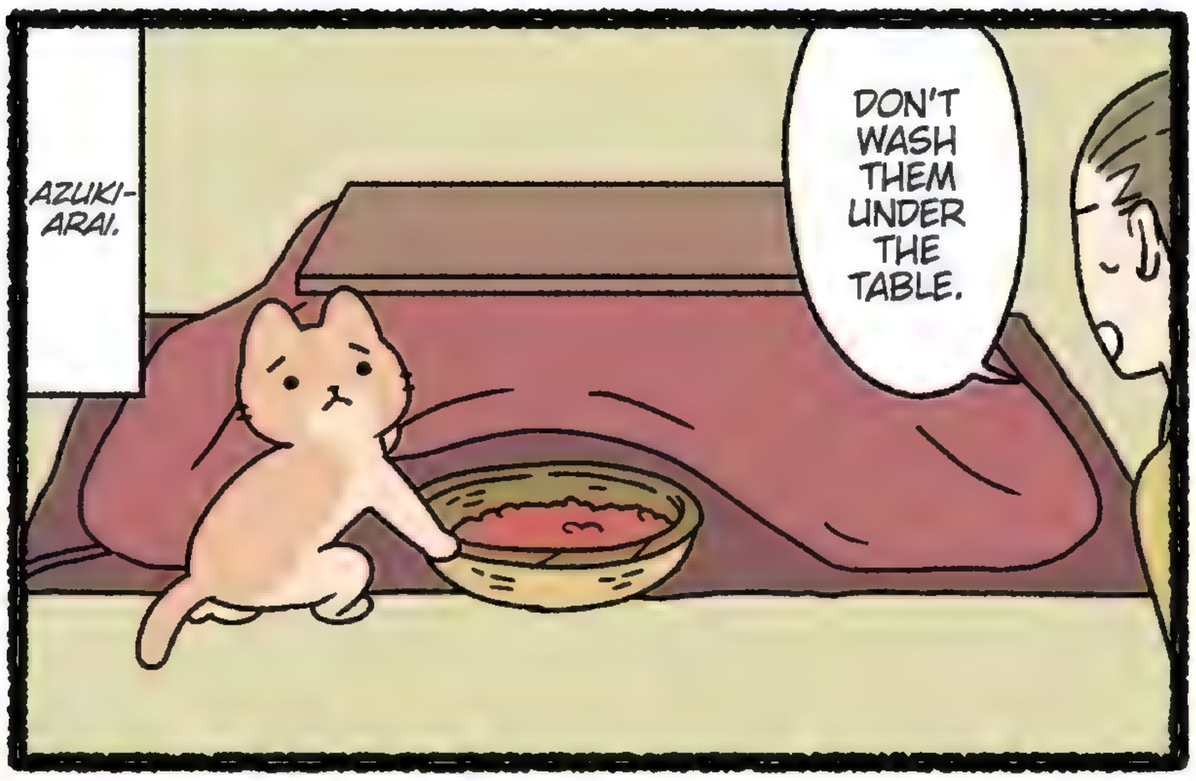


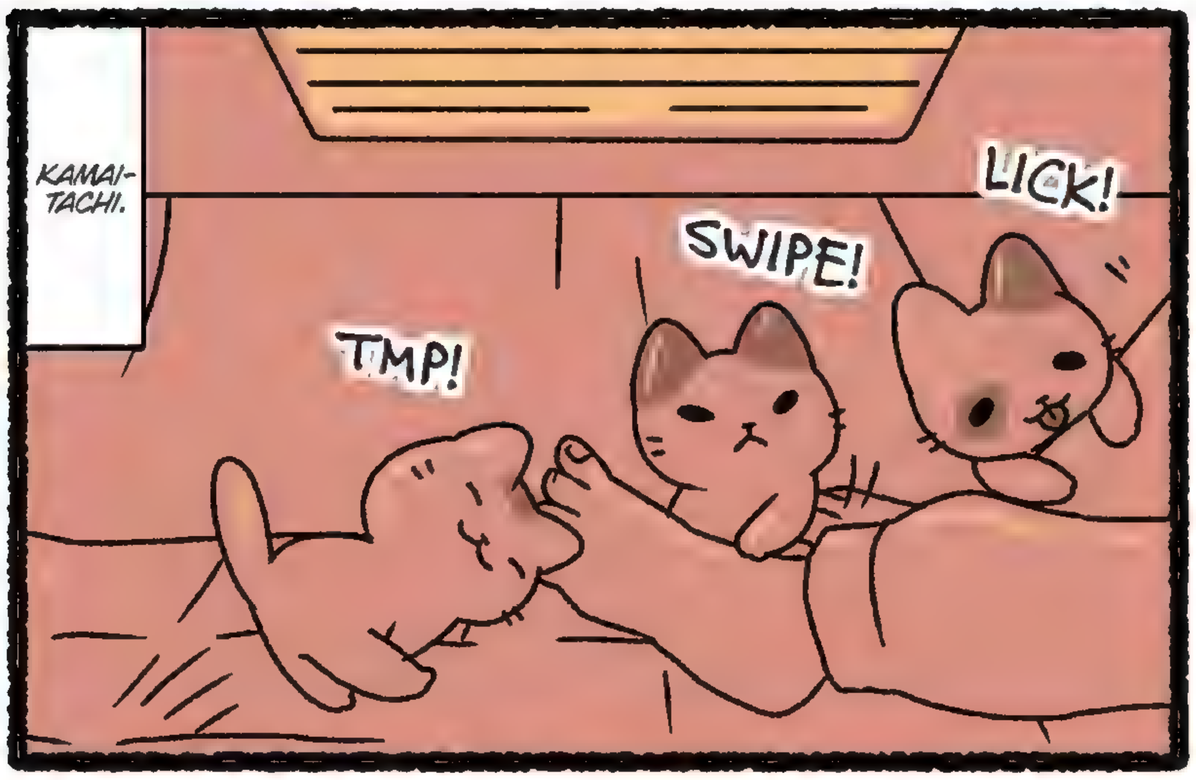


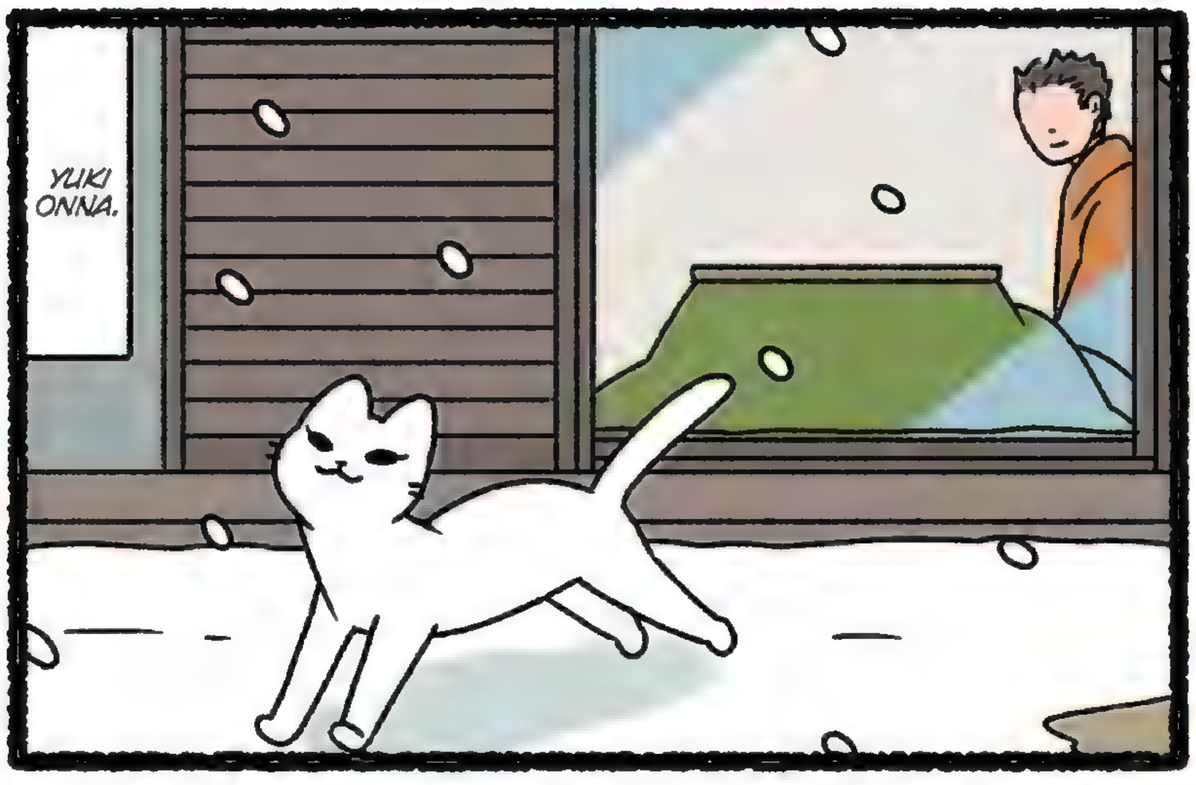


Yokai Cats and Kotatsu





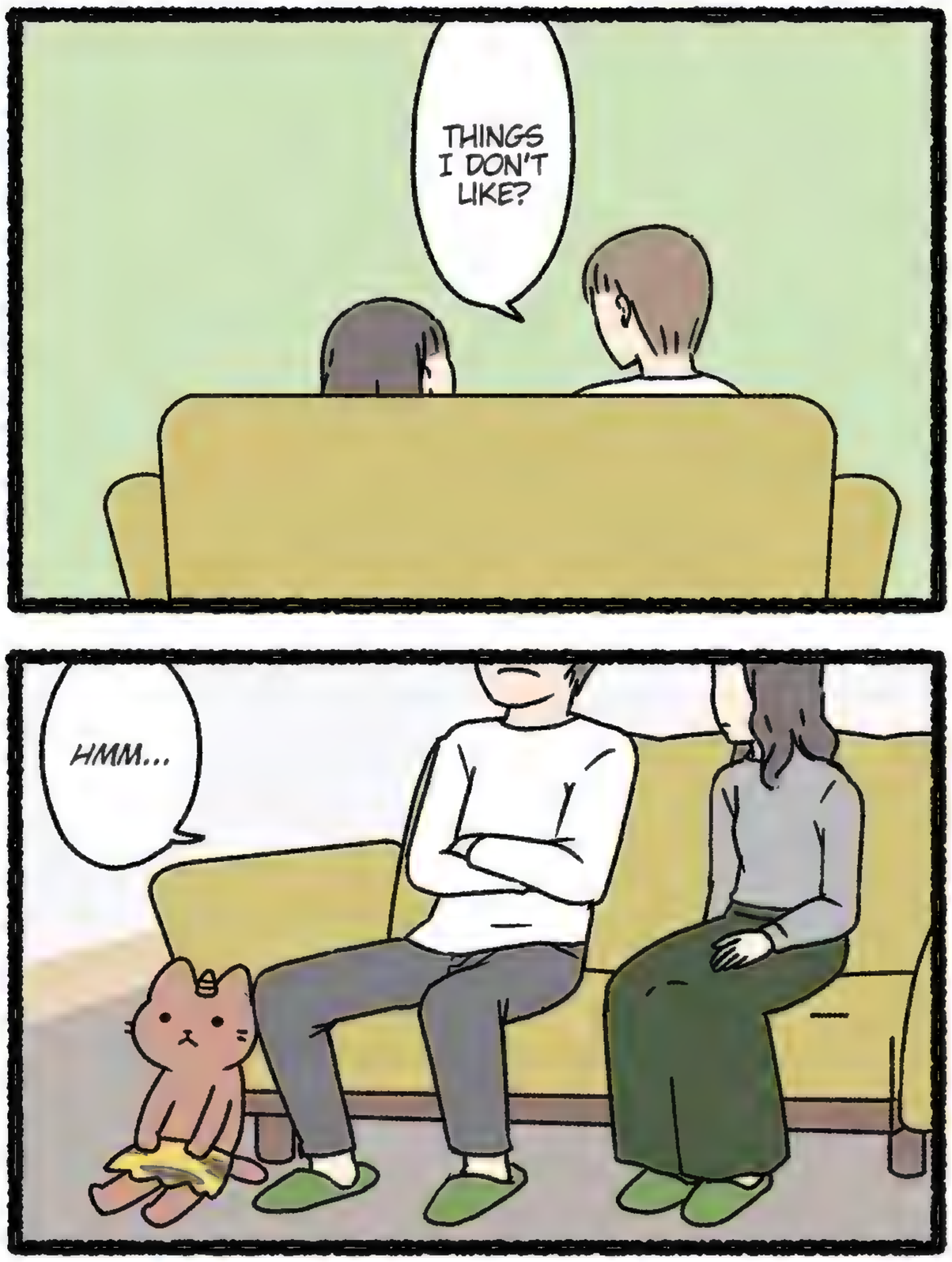






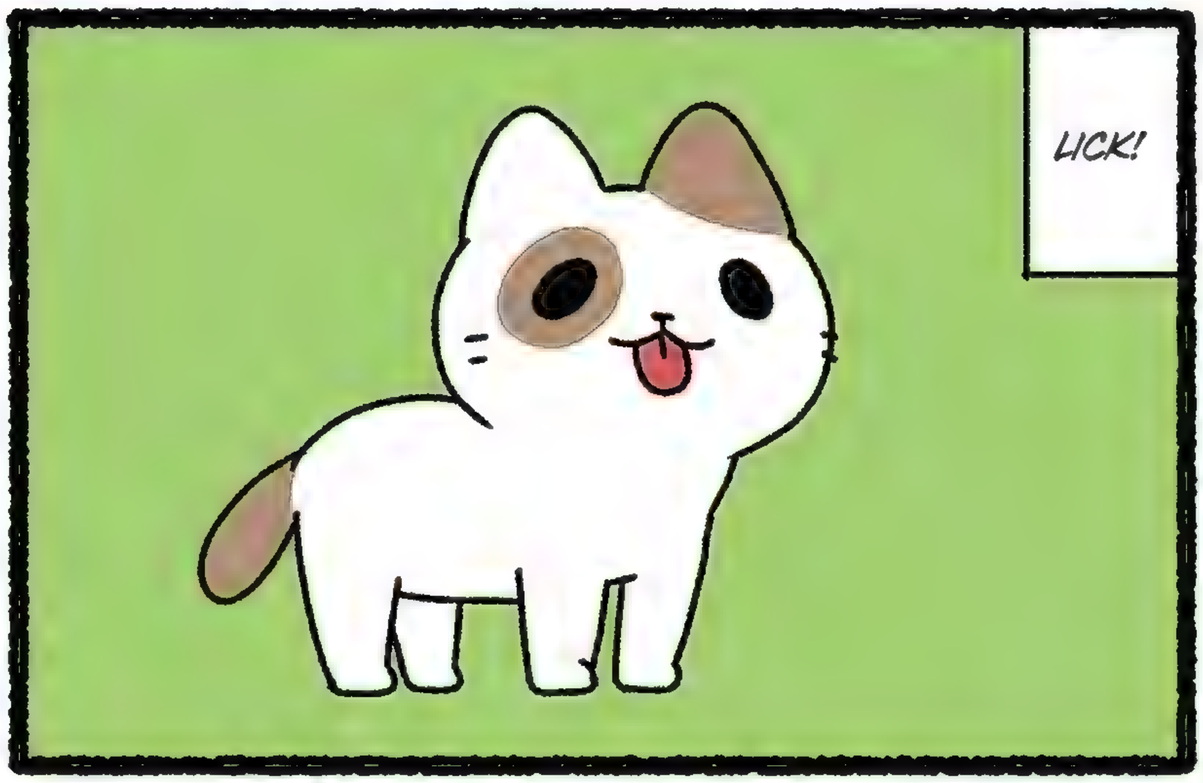
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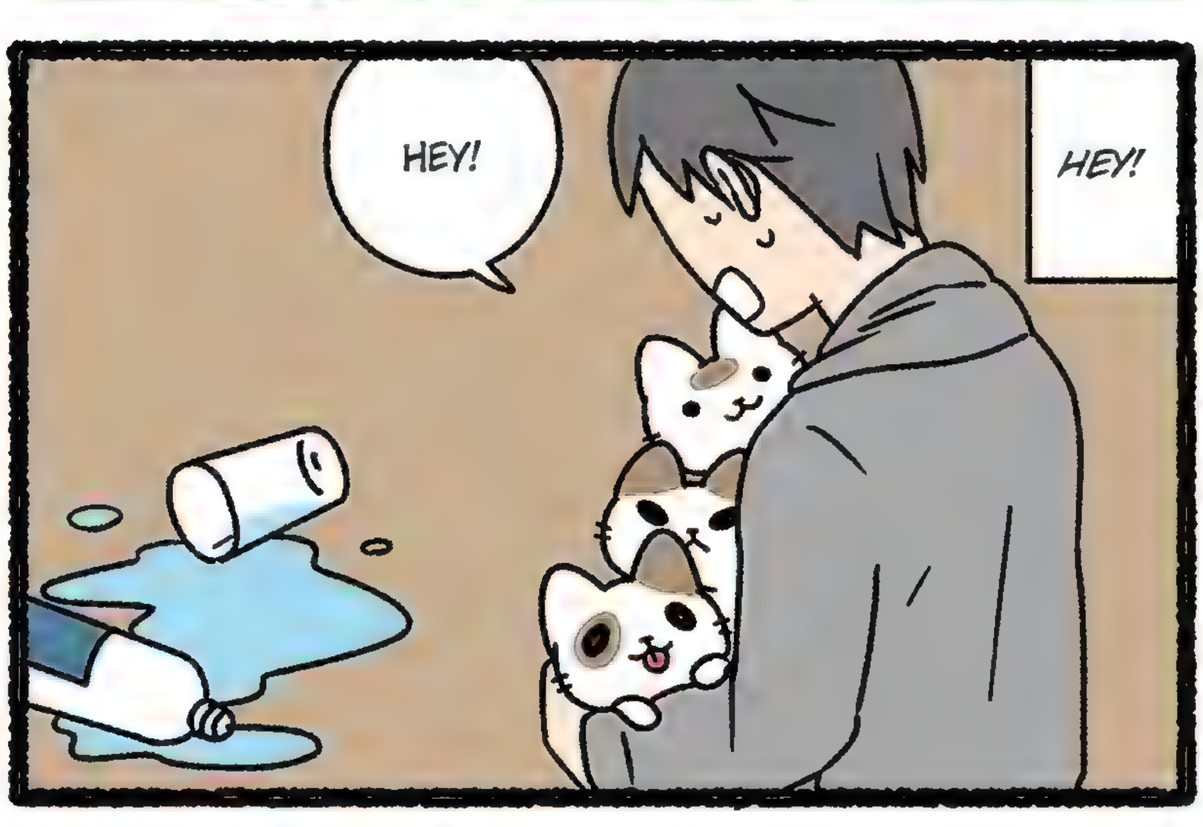
New


THINGS I DON'T LIKE?
HMM...
AND MY CAT ALSO DOESN'T LIKE THEM.
I WAS NEVER A FAN...
BEANS, I GUESS.

TMP!


SWIPE!


LICK!


HEY!
HEY!


THANK YOU.
GRIN!
DOCTOR, THE BOOK ARRIVED.
GRIN!
SEE YOU TOMORROW, KURO.
YOU AND KURO ARE KIND OF SIMILAR, HUH?
ARE WE, KURO?
GRIN!
GRIN!

Afterword

I'M AN ILLUSTRATOR. I ALSO DRAW MANGA.

I'M OVER-THINK-ING IT...

IT'S A PRETTY HARD QUES-TION...

WHAT DO I DO FOR WORK? IS IT OKAY TO CALL MYSELF AN ILLUSTRATOR OR A MANGA ARTIST?

WHAT DO YOU DO FOR WORK?

THIS IS USUALLY THE FIRST TOPIC OF CONVER-SATION.

THE FIRST TIME AT A SALON...

Speaking loudly to get the point across.

I'M FINE IF I GO FOR A WEEK WITHOUT TALKING TO ANYONE.

NO POINT IN LYING...

I DON'T MIND IF THE ONLY HUMAN INTERACTION I GET IN A WEEK IS WITH THE CONVENIENCE STORE CLERK...BUT HE MIGHT FEEL BAD FOR ME.

SHALL I HEAT IT UP FOR YOU?

YES, PLEASE.

SWEAT SWEAT

DO YOU GET LONELY WORKING BY YOURSELF?

DO YOU WORK AT HOME?

YES.

Thinks this every time.

AH HA HA... I MANAGE SOME-HOW.

I'LL DO BETTER FROM NOW ON...

I'M A SLACKER... I MEET DEADLINES, BUT I HAVE NO WORK ETHIC...

TAKING IT EASY TODAY.

I'LL WORK AFTER A WALK.

ISN'T IT HARD TO STAY MOTIVATED WHEN YOU WORK AT HOME?

SHE LET ME TOUCH THEM.

YOU CAN TOUCH THEM!

AND LATELY, SHE DEVEL-OPED ABS.

SOMETIMES SHE INVITES ME OUT TO EAT...

THE PREVIOUS EDITOR, SHINOZUKA-SAN...

REALLY HELPED ME OUT A LOT BY WRITING DESCRIPTIONS OF THE YOKAI CATS AND STUFF.

Good at photo-graphy.

Likes animals.

SHI-NO-ZUKA-SAN.

WE'VE GOTTEN TO THE POINT WHERE HE'LL TALK TO ME ABOUT MANGA AND UFOS.

HE'S SO... CONSIDERATE.

GOING TO THE SALON IS RATHER NERVE-RACKING.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT *YOKAI CATS!*

AND THANK YOU TO MY FRIENDS WHO SUPPORTED ME, NAKAMURA-SAN, AND YOUMISE DEPARTMENT!

THANK YOU TO TAKESHOBO AND THE DESIGNER FOR ALL THEIR HELP.

I'M HAPPY TO HAVE RECEIVED SO MUCH FEEDBACK ON TWITTER, MY BLOG, AND IN POSTCARDS. IT GIVES ME A LOT OF ENERGY.

THANK YOU FOR READING *YOKAI CATS.* IT'S THANKS TO YOUR SUPPORT THAT I WAS ABLE TO RELEASE A THIRD VOLUME!



PANDANIA



Thank you for picking up volume 3 of *Yokai Cats*. Ever since I started drawing this manga, my eyes have been blessed with the many cat pictures that have been sent my way. When I see people's peaceful lives with their cats (and other animals), it makes me feel warm inside. I can do my best even in this cold winter.

▼Yamabiko
Good at imitating voices and sounds. Doesn't seem to understand what words mean and doesn't echo ones it doesn't like.

▲Nurikabe
#1 yokai cat that makes you want to cuddle it when it's blocking the road.

▲Enra-enra
Its smoky body moves easily through narrow spaces. Has a habit of escaping.

▲Kamaitachi
If you hear the sounds TMP, SWIPE, and LICK, it's the work of Kamaitachi.

▼Kappa
Skilled at swimming! Full of energy even in water!

▲Satori
Tends to tire itself out by reading too much into people's thoughts.

▼Nopperabo
The fur below its ears is soft and flat. It seems emotionless due to its lack of a face, but it's actually very expressive.

▲Betobeto-san
You can hear its footsteps following you, but oblivious people don't even notice that.

▼Hyakume
No one knows how many eyes it has on its body. All of them open up wide and round!

▼Ningyo
Rumored that eating it will grant eternal youth, but so cute that no one can bring themselves to do it.

▲Azuki-arai
Makes a distinctive rustling sound when it washes azuki beans. If you hear rustling, an Azuki-arai is nearby.

▼Yuki Onna
Leaks cold air when it's angry. Chilly to the touch even when happy.

▼Sunakake Baba
Loves playing in sand. Watch out when it comes into the house! It'll get sand everywhere!

▼Rokurokubi
Can stretch and contract its neck at will! Its thin neck can be used to wrap around things or express emotions.

▲Tenjo-sagari
Likes hanging from the ceiling but doesn't seem to want to bother or scare people.

▼Kudan
Has cow-like horns on its head and can speak human language!

▼Nekomata
Has lived a very long life so is unconcerned about time. Is very popular as a humanlike cat.

▲Ittan Momen
Full of curiosity. Be careful that it doesn't fly off somewhere.

▼Keukegen
Does have legs and a tail under its very long hair.

▼Oni
Can hold a long, studded bat in its small front paws.

▲Tofu Kozo
After licking tofu, it tends to forget to put its tongue back in its mouth.

▲Tengu
Wears a scary red mask with a long nose. The face underneath is a secret.♡

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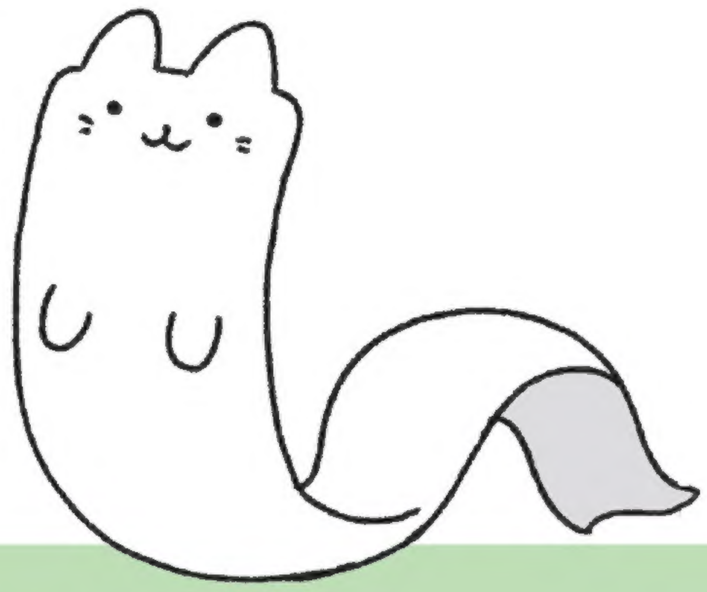
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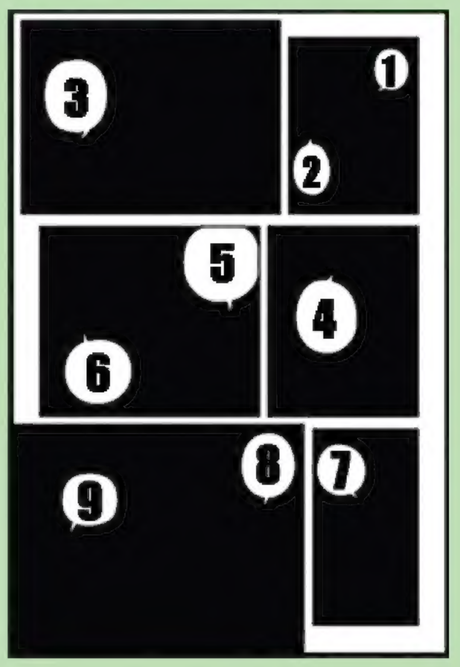
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